

EXPLOSION ENTOMBS THIRTY MINERS

Heart Rending Scenes Near Fayette City—Victims
Surrounded by Noxious Gases—Fruitless
Rescue Work.

Fayette City, Dec. 2.—Between 25 and 30 miners, possibly more, are entombed in the Naoml mine of the United Coal Company, located three miles west of this city, and there is practically no hope that they are alive. Their imprisonment is due to an explosion of black damp about 8 o'clock last night, soon after the night force went to work. It is said a miner went into an old working with an open lamp, causing an explosion.

Had the explosion occurred on any night except Sunday, the number of victims would have been twice as large.

The mine employs from 275 to 300 regularly. About one-fourth of these are engaged at night, but on Sunday nights only about half of the night force goes to work. The mine is of the shaft type, and the concrete sides of the entry were broken down so as to completely close the passage for a considerable distance. The entrance is located at the first air shaft and from this deadly gas is pouring in great volumes. The gas found in mines in this territory is so poisonous that no human being can live in it for more than a few minutes, and for this reason it is not believed a single one of the entombed men is still alive. One man, an unidentified foreigner, managed to climb to the top of the first air shaft, but dropped dead there.

Just after the night force entered the shaft there was a flash which lighted up the mine. There was a roar as the tons of coal and slate crashed down into the entries crowded with workmen; then utter darkness followed, the explosion putting out of business completely the lighting and air facilities of the mine.

The mine immediately filled with gases and several not hurt by the explosion perished in running to get into the fresh air. The shock of the explosion shook the buildings in Fayette City, and could be heard for miles.

In the homes of the miners, the explosion every miner's cottage in the vicinity. The occupants of these men, women and children, gathered around the mine this morning. Women and children cry continually and start with horror at the seemingly fruitless work of rescue.

The Naoml mine is one of the oldest operated by the United Coal Company, which has its principal offices in Pittsburgh. It was one of the biggest mines of the soft coal region and gave work to from 200 to 300 men all the year round. The property loss will be enormous, as the mine was equipped at a cost of thousands of dollars with up-to-date appliances.

The explosion completely wrecked the air system, and that alone means that nothing can live long in the mine. Thousands are flocking to the mine mouth where every means known to operators is being exerted to reach the men. Aid has been secured from Monmouth City, Belle Vernon and other near-by towns.

While some hold torches, others are pegging away with pick and shovel to reach their fellow-workers. Strenuous efforts to reach the imprisoned men by other means are being made.

Supt. J. M. O'Neill, of the Naoml mine, said to-day: "The men are working heroically to save their comrades."

The occupants of these men, on the ground immediately after the explosion and organized a relief corps. He soon brought order out of chaos and divided his men into crews which were ordered to work, one or two hours each. In this way we will be able to make the best progress possible under the circumstances, keep the work up, and at the same time save the resources of the rescuers.

lights and the audience was drawing back in momentary dread, he slammed off the power, but neglected to put on the brakes, believing he ample time before reaching the footlights.

The car skidded just as the brake bit into the axle. The machine sped over the edge of the stage, parts of it striking Louis Van Thine, William Fleming and Rudolph Killian, the musicians. They were not badly injured, it is said, but suffered severe cuts and bruises.

STEEL PLANT DESTROYED.
Winnipeg Fire Believed to Have Been Work of Incendiary.

Winnipeg, Dec. 2.—A fire, which it is alleged was the work of an incendiary, completely destroyed the structural steel manufacturing plant and building of Kelly Bros. & Mitchell Co. The loss is \$75,000. The building and stock were only partly insured, and the net loss will be considerable.

CHRISTENING RIOT.
Fierce Fight Among Galicians at Winnipeg—Two Wounded Seriously—One Drinks Himself to Death.

Winnipeg, Dec. 2.—A fierce fight occurred at a Galician christening last night. One of the guests was stabbed twice, and is in a serious condition. The assailants have been arrested. J. Majowski, who drank too copiously of high wine, was found dead to-day.

GREAT INCREASE IN
CUSTOMS RECEIPTS
Dominion Exchequer Shows Gain of \$7,075,000 in Eight Months—To Control Telegraphs.

(Special to the Times).
Ottawa, Dec. 2.—Canada's customs collections for the eight months of the fiscal year were \$34,225,000, a gain of \$7,075,000 over the same time last year.

Telegraph Control.
Ottawa, Dec. 2.—Senator Davies has given notice of a resolution, asking that the railway commission make a full investigation into the working of the telegraph system of the Dominion, and as to whether the public an efficient service and an equalization of rates.

WESTERN HOCKEY LEAGUE.
Delegates Holding Stormy Sessions in Winnipeg—Cannot Agree on Division of Gate Receipts.

Winnipeg, Dec. 2.—A serious trouble that at the time threatened the disruption of the Western Canada Hockey League faced the delegates when they met last night to decide the composition of the league and to draft a schedule. They sat and struggled with the problems on Saturday night, and followed with three stormy sessions yesterday without having definitely settled anything at midnight. The

chief trouble arose over the division of the gate receipts.
Places outside of Winnipeg are a unit in demanding that the visiting teams be paid 20 per cent. of the gate, but the local delegates oppose this strenuously. The latter also want a double series, but the others take a contrary view. Another long discussion was precipitated by the applications of Winnipeg and Maple Leafs for admission to the league. These, along with the Strathconas of last year, would have made three Winnipeg teams, but the league decided that only one of the applicants could be admitted, and the latest addition to the professional ranks will be decided by a test game.

ROSTERN'S NEW TOWN HALL.
Rosthern, Sask., Dec. 2.—On Saturday Rosthern's new town hall was opened at a cost of \$35,000, and is a credit to Rosthern.

GRANBY MINES
TO REOPEN
EMPLOYMENT FOR
NINE HUNDRED MEN
Company Will Increase Output and Enlarge Capacity of Smelters at Grand Forks.

Spokane, Dec. 2.—Nine hundred men will resume work on December 5th in the Granby Consolidated copper mines at Phoenix and at the largest copper smelting works in Canada at Grand Forks. The mines have been idle for three weeks.

General Manager Jay P. Graves says the plants were closed because of the low price of copper and the high operating cost, but that the company has been able to reduce the cost of supplies and that the former employees have agreed to resume work at the old scale of wages paid about a year ago, the same as is now in effect at Rossland, Butte, and elsewhere.

He is of the opinion that the price of copper will remain at 12 to 16 cents a pound, and the company will increase the output and the smelters' capacity.

GOULD DIVORCE CASE.
Miss Helen Mer Protests She Was Not Mixed Up in Scandal.

New York, Dec. 2.—Helen Mer, who testified in the Gould case as to the relations of Mrs. Howard Gould, when she was Katharine Clemmons, and Col. W. F. Gould, "Buffalo Bill," called for England on the Mauretania on Saturday. Before the steamship left she declared to a reporter that she had been greatly misjudged while here.

"If I were on my deathbed, if I expected to meet my judge this moment," she said, "I would still protest that I did not come here with any purpose of mixing up with the Gould scandal. The papers here did not give me credit for this. They have misjudged me. There is no redress, so I must suffer from these false statements."

"I had a few engagements here, but my whole holiday has been spoiled, and I am happy to get away from the notoriety."

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 2.—In a wreck on the B. & O. railway this morning three persons were killed and a dozen injured. The dead are: W. O. Hoffman and his daughter Nellie, of Baltimore, and an unidentified white man.

It is not believed that any of the injured were fatally hurt.

The accident occurred to the east-bound St. Louis and New York express which was "side swiped" by the derailed car of a freight train that was run into by another train just as the express was passing at a high rate of speed.

RECEIVES ADDRESS
WITH COLDNESS
Russia's Emperor Believes Sentiments of Douma But Awaits Productive Work.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 2.—Emperor Nicholas received and perused a copy of the address of the Douma in reply to the speech from the throne at the opening of parliament with coldness.

On the margin of the document he wrote the following note: "I am ready to believe the expressed sentiments. I await productive work."

TO WINTER IN EUROPE.
Winnipeg, Dec. 2.—Premier Scott will arrive in Winnipeg to-day en route to Mediterranean points to spend the winter.

CO-OPERATION
OF FRUIT MEN
PROPOSITION MADE
TO FORM EXCHANGE
The Objects of Organization Set Forth in Interview by W. J. Brandt.

In order to improve results to the fruit shippers of the province, in the prairie markets, a fruit and produce exchange has been organized in British Columbia.

This organization was designed to embrace all the associations of fruit growers in the province, but at present it represents five associations only, out of a total of eighteen. The associations represented in the exchange are the Kootenay fruit growers, the Revelstoke growers' association and exchange, the Kamloops fruit growers and the Chilliwack farmers' exchange.

An educational movement is now afoot to encourage all the other associations to enter the exchange co-partnership. The meeting held at the Parliament building to-day had for one of its objects the purpose of having the principles and advantages of the exchange explained to the local fruit growers, James Johnstone, L. M. Hagar and W. J. Brandt, president, manager and secretary of the exchange, respectively, having arrived from the mainland last night for this purpose.

The history of the exchange organization was explained to a reporter by W. J. Brandt as follows:

At the quarterly meeting of the B. C. Fruit Growers' association held at Summerland in April last, attention was directed to losses occurring from conflict of fruit shipments into the markets of the northwest. A meeting of delegates was authorized to consider this subject, the idea being to evolve a system of fruit distribution, to obviate a confusion of shipments in any one section of the prairie market, and eliminate the hurtful result of having one fruit section of the province competing against another. This meeting of delegates was held at Armstrong, where a constitution and by-laws for an organization, the exchange above mentioned, were drawn up, and subsequently drafts thereof were sent to all the fruit growers' associations in the province, soliciting their support in the movement. Five associations responded and subscribed to the exchange.

As it was late in the season before the exchange was organized, no very appreciable results were expected this year. But Mr. Brandt says the work already accomplished by the exchange has exceeded the most sanguine expectations. The exchange's method of operation is something like this:

Solicitors are employed to canvass the market of the northwest and book orders for fruit. These solicitors are furnished with advance estimates from week to week of the amount of fruit and produce that will be available during the period. A community of understanding is thus created at both ends. The fruit growers know how much fruit is wanted and where it is required, and the selling agents know the limitations of the supply. The fruit shipments are, in this way, distributed to points where they can be filled to best advantage. Everything is sold f. o. b. point of shipment. No goods are consigned. Consequently the grower knows what he is going to receive for his produce before it leaves his premises. A maximum charge of five per cent. attaches to the shipments for this service, which includes collecting, but should the cost of selling and collecting be less than this the difference is returned to the shippers.

In the State of Ohio, where a similar organization exists, it has been found that the collecting and selling can be done on a basis of one per cent., although the maximum charge of five per cent. was calculated, and Mr. Brandt thinks that the British Columbia exchange, if supported by all the associations, can do its business on a like basis.

In the constitution of the exchange a representation of one for every twenty-five members of the affiliated associations is provided for, up to one hundred, and one for each fifty or fraction thereof over one hundred.

Messrs. Johnstone, Hagar and Brandt have just completed a tour of the provincial associations in the interests of the exchange, during which they visited Penticton, Summerland, Peachland, Armstrong, Enderby, Kamloops, Chilliwack, Mission and Hammond, and held meetings at all these places. The progress of the exchange work was reported to the local association at the meeting held here to-day. Mr. Brandt says that the exchange organization is confident that at least four-fifths of the fruit producing area of the province will be represented in the Fruit and Produce Exchange.

C. P. R. BRAKEMAN INJURED.
Knocked Down by Moving Car on Strassburg Branch Line.

Brandon, Dec. 2.—Chas. Baker, a brakeman, was brought into the city last night suffering from severe fractures, and also badly cut in an accident that occurred on Friday on the Strassburg branch of the C. P. R. The injured man was employed on the construction outfit and while engaged in shunting some cars he was knocked down by a moving car.

DISEASE AMONG CATTLE.
Several Animals Died in Mysterious Fashion in Southwest Saskatchewan.

Saskatoon, Dec. 2.—A settler from the Southwestern district, who is here, owing to the prevalence of some disease among cattle, states, that within the past five days several cattle died after being turned out for the day. The animals showed no sign of sickness and to all appearances were in perfect condition. One of them was lying dead within half hour after being turned out. He is at a loss to understand it and feels quite certain that the trouble cannot be tuberculosis. There is a possibility that it is blackfoot, a disease which is frequently met with among herds but seldom among a few cattle.

The owner is trying to secure a veterinary to look into the matter.

GRAIN RUSH AT
FORT WILLIAM
NAVIGATION WILL
CLOSE THIS WEEK
Harbor Full of Shipping—Elevators Handling Produce as Rapidly as Possible.

Fort William, Dec. 2.—Only four days remain in which cargoes can be taken out of Great Lake ports this season covered by insurance. Vessels that have not loaded and departed from their docks by noon on December 5th will not be given insurance unless the companies change their plans on account of favorable weather, and grant an extension of time, which would doubtless be at an increased rate.

That practically means that navigation will be closed for this year this week. It does not mean that boats will all be laid up as soon as they have completed the trips they will be on the water until the formation of ice compels them to suspend operations.

Only two more passenger steamers will be seen in this port this year. They are the C. P. R. steamer Manitoba, which will arrive to-day and leave tomorrow, and the Horonic, of the Northern Navigation company, which will bring a cargo of freight from Sarnia and load to return.

The present fall has been a particularly favorable one so far as the weather conditions have been concerned, and had the condition of the financial situation been more favorable, a much larger grain carrying business would have been done. Up to date no loss of life has been occasioned among the vessels coming to this port. The shipment of grain from the local elevators has been very heavy during the past few days, and a big rush will be on from now till the close of navigation. The harbor is to-day almost full of vessels of all sorts and sizes, all of which are being accommodated at the elevators as fast as possible.

TOWERS OF BABEL
MAY BE BUILT
No Limit to Height of Skyscrapers Which Will Rise in New York.

New York, Dec. 2.—No limit is to be placed on buildings in New York. Instead of being held to certain legal requirements, the builder hereafter may send a sky-scraper to as many stories as he chooses, provided his structure is of such a form as to guarantee a reasonable amount of light and ventilation to his neighbors on all sides.

This is the effect of an amendment to the New York building code, which will be ratified by the revision made at a meeting to-day, and the entire report of the committee will probably be adopted by the board of aldermen within the coming week.

FRENCH AIRSHIP'S
LONG JOURNEY
La Patrie Seen Passing Over North of Ireland, Going Backwards.

London, Dec. 2.—A balloon which passed over County Antrim, Ireland, yesterday, has been identified as the French government airship La Patrie.

Previous statements that the dirigible airship was manned and under control are not corroborated by observers, who say that the airship was going northward, "backwards," before a southerly wind.

MURDERER REPRIEVED.
Karlruhe, Dec. 2.—The death sentence passed upon Karl Hau for the murder of his mother-in-law has been commuted to life imprisonment.

RUSHED WORK ON
THE HATCHERIES
Dominion Government in Spite of Many Difficulties Equipped Sites at Babine and Stuart Lakes.

In spite of many difficulties the Dominion government's two fish hatcheries at Babine lake and Stuart lake are completed and stocked with eggs. Each hatchery has a capacity of 10,000,000 eggs, and this year, although completed rather late in the season, 3,000,000 eggs have been stored on the Babine hatchery, and 3,000,000 in the Stuart lake building.

The equipping of these northern hatcheries this year reflects the highest credit upon the department at Ottawa in its efforts to serve the best interests of the Pacific Coast. In May F. H. Cunningham, superintendent of fish culture, and W. H. Brunel, constructing engineer of the marine and fisheries department, came to the coast under instructions from the acting minister of the department, Hon. W. Templeman, for the purpose of undertaking the installation of these two hatcheries. When they reached the coast, those well acquainted with conditions in the north, advised them to lay their plans and prepare for the work being done next season. The officials, however, knew that it was the wish of the acting minister that the work should be completed this year if possible, and accordingly planned to go right on with it.

Difficulties never expected, cropped up, but in spite of that the work has been completed and the eggs are being hatched. Mr. Brunel, who stayed right on the ground and saw the whole work completed, arrived in the city on Saturday, leaving last night for the east.

The conveyance of supplies by way of the Skeena this year proved an arduous one. Heavy shipments were being made by the G. T. P. and other corporations, which interfered somewhat with the shipping arrangements. Then followed a period when the passage of the river was interfered with. In consequence Mr. Brunel found when he got his supplies to the canyon by the steamer Hazelton, that in order to get all the way through without considerable delay he would have to transfer the freight by Indians for the mile and a half to connect with the Northwest above the canyon. Rather than fail to carry out the design of the head of the department, he determined to have the supplies carried over, and with 100 Indians he succeeded in his designs.

The sites for the hatcheries had to be located, and the buildings erected under great difficulties. The Babine lake site was first selected in a suitable inlet, and Indians employed to whip saw all the lumber, a slow process.

To make matters worse an epidemic of grippe broke out among the Indians, and for several weeks the greatest trouble was experienced in getting sufficient of the tribesmen to carry on the work.

In spite of all difficulties, however, the work was done, and under the charge of Thos. Blair as foreman at Babine, the white workmen got the hatchery up in time to allow of the taking of eggs. The hatchery is 40 feet by 80 feet, with a truss roof. It is fed by an underground flume, which carries the water for a distance of 700 feet, sufficiently protected to avoid frost. It is delivered into the hatchery under a pressure of about 75 pounds to the square inch.

A pretty, an experienced man, has charge, and Mr. Brunel expects to see a very slight percentage of loss of the 5,000,000 eggs in the hatchery. All are sockeyes. The conditions are such, Mr. Brunel says, that no difficulty should be found in getting a plentiful supply for the hatchery.

Speaking of the advantages of artificial hatching, Mr. Brunel tells of the immense waste which he saw from the deposit of eggs in the natural way. He saw the spawn lying a foot or more deep in places, and not half of it fertilized. There was a very large proportion of dead eggs shown by the white color as distinguished from the healthy blood red of the fertilized eggs.

The Stewart lake hatchery, on the headwaters of the Fraser river, was completed later than the Babine hatchery. The work there was carried out under Foreman A. R. Nicholson. The hatchery is of the same dimensions and capacity as the one at Babine, and is in charge of Harry Gibbs.

An attempt has been made to make capital out of the fact that eggs were carried from the Babine lake hatchery to the Stuart lake one this fall. Mr. Brunel says there is nothing in the alarmer reports created by a discharged workman. There was abundance of eggs at Babine lake, and no depletion will follow by the taking of the 3,000,000 eggs to the headwaters of the Fraser. The spawn on both hatcheries are of the healthiest character, and should give excellent results.

At each hatchery a residence for the superintendent had to be erected, and other necessary buildings, so that the work involved in having all the lumber cut by the Indians was very great. Speaking of the Indians, Mr. Brunel says that they are now well satisfied, and all discontent at doing away with the barriers in the river has passed away. The Indians are supplied with nets, and are getting a good supply of fish. At the hatchery also they are given the salmon that have had the spawn taken away. They seem well satisfied with present conditions.

MAN WOUND ROUND PULLEY.
Dan McLeod Meets Horrible Death at Fort William Elevator.

Fort William, Dec. 2.—A distressing accident happened in elevator B on Sunday when Dan McLeod, occupied in looking after one end of the conveyor belts in the basement, in some unknown manner got caught by a belt which is about three feet wide, and wound around a pulley at the end. His head was injured and death was instantaneous.

He was first discovered by his mate at the other end of the belt who not seeing his lamp signal, ran alone to see what was the trouble and found he was dead.

MONTANA MAY
BE TOTAL LOSS
British Ship Puts Into Philadelphia in Flames—Fire Spreads Rapidly.

Philadelphia, Dec. 2.—Fire was discovered this morning in the hold of the British ship Montana, which arrived here early this morning from London. The vessel caught fire at sea. When the forward hatch was opened to-day the fire was discovered.

The flames spread rapidly, and it is thought the big vessel will be a total loss.

TYEE OFFICIAL.
W. Gardner, Secretary of Company, is Inspecting the Property.

Wm. Gardner, secretary of the Tyee Copper Company, has arrived from London, England, and will be on the coast for some time. He will, while here, go over the Company's business and will, before leaving, appoint a local manager in place of the late Clement Livingston. Mr. Gardner visited the island mines twice previously and has been secretary of the Tyee Copper Company ever since it was first organized. He is quite well known to the old time mining men of Mt. Sieler. Together with Mr. Bryant, mine superintendent, he will go over the company's properties thoroughly.

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Of those who do not consider that Bryan is the only man, only one, Senator Russell, is definite in naming a candidate. He comes out flat-footed for Governor Johnson, of Minnesota.

KENORA HAS MANIA
TO SMUGGLE WHISKY
Keg Found Concealed in Barrel of Apples—Dominion Officers Destroy 30 Gallons

Kenora, Ont., Dec. 2.—Dominion police officers Stevens and Mackenzie, in the presence of Commissioner of Police Quibell, destroyed another large quantity of liquor which had been seized within the last four weeks along the line of the Transcontinental railway in the Rainy River district.

The liquor, which amounted to over 30 gallons, was poured into the town sewer. Several suggestions were made to give it to the hospital or to sell it and give the proceeds to charitable institutions, but Commissioner Quibell would only do what the law allowed, and destroyed it.

All sorts of devices were used to get the liquor to the men on the works. One five gallon keg of whiskey being found in a barrel of apples. A long gimlet was used to bore into the barrel by the officers, and on opening the keg was found with the apples surrounding it.

Indians are smuggling in the liquor, and two of them have been sentenced during the past week to three months' hard labor.

U. S. PRESIDENCY.
Washington Politicians Differ As to Platform on Which Wm. J. Bryan Should Run.

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CONGRESS CONVENES AT WASHINGTON

Gathering Resembled Social Function

Sq Great a Crowd Was Present.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—The first session of the Sixtieth Congress convened to-day, and resembled a social function rather than a gathering for the transaction of the important business of the country. So great was the crowd waiting for an opportunity to see the national legislature start on its way, that the galleries, reserved for the families and friends of the members, had only a few places left for the general public provided with tickets.

In the Senate the same conditions prevailed, except that a larger space was kept for those who came without tickets. Early in the day the Capitol was filled with spectators.

In each of the houses the session was short and the business done was confined to the adoption of formal resolutions notifying the president that Congress had assembled with the swearing in of new senators and representatives, and in other perfunctory acts that always accompany the organization of a new Congress.

CHILD IMMIGRANTS.

Immigration Inspector Smart Says Youngsters From English Homes Make Excellent Citizens.

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—According to the returns of the interior department 3,288 children came to Canada last year from the Barnardo and other homes in England, but this number failed to meet the demand for children, applications having been made for 19,374.

In his report to the department, Inspector of Immigration Smart says: "Juvenile immigration has lived down adverse criticism and the great majority of those youngsters develop into excellent citizens."

Inspector Smart notes the great improvement made by the English societies in selecting children for Canada.

EMPRESS FOG BOUND.

Montreal, Dec. 2.—R. M. S. Empress of Britain, which sailed from Liverpool at 7 p. m. on Friday, was detained in the Mersey thirty-three hours by fog, and left at 4 a. m. Sunday.

BURNS IS STILL WORLD'S CHAMPION

(Special to the Times).
London, Dec. 2.—Before the National Sporting Club to-day, Tommy Burns, Canada, knocked out Gunner Moir, England, in the tenth round of a twenty-round contest.

CIGARETTES IN CANADA.

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—Representatives of the Anti-Cigarette Association and W. C. T. U. will wait on Sir Wilfrid Laurier to-morrow to try and get an assurance that the sale of cigarettes will be stopped in Canada.

CIVIC NOMINATIONS.

Mayor Keary Re-elected by Acclamation in New Westminster.

New Westminster, B. C., Dec. 2.—Civic nominations to-day are as follows: For mayor, W. H. Keary was re-elected by acclamation; for school trustee, P. Peebles, T. J. Trapp and Thos. Turnbull.

For two vacancies, as aldermen, six of the present board, A. W. Gray, A. Garrett, J. Henley, J. B. Jardine, J. J. Johnston and B. W. Shiles are seeking re-election, while five new candidates, E. J. Bates, W. E. Fales, A. Mallins, M. Sinclair and R. Wilson also were nominated. Polling commences on Monday, Dec. 9th.

AMAZING STORY OF CRIME.

Another of the gang of international desperadoes, who gathered round the notorious American beauty, "Chicago May" (Vivienne May Churchill), has just been placed behind prison doors. He is the Italian who, in the name of "Edward Miller," was sentenced to five years' penal servitude by Mr. Justice Gribb at Lewes, England, as a result of a jewel robbery at Eastbourne.

A reporter learns from inquiries that "Edward Miller" is the alias of the man who, with the other desperado, "Smith," was living with "Chicago May" in rooms in Gower street, London, up to the time of the shooting in the street of Eddie Guerin, the escaped convict of "Devil's Isle." His real name is Ferrari, but in the course of a life of desperate crime he has used no fewer than a dozen aliases.

Smith and he had been partners in crime for years, until "Chicago May" netted them in her desperate game for international operations. In Italy, of which country Ferrari is a native, they were members of one of the finest schools of crime known to the police, using the best tools, and calling in the aid of science in their work. Ferrari, with his six-foot stature, easy manners, and polished conversation, made an admirable hotel guest "blind" with "Smith" as the worker. After a daring, but unsuccessful, attempt at a coup at a Turin bank in 1894, Ferrari and Smith cleared out, just in time, to South Africa, where they carried out systematic and wholesale robberies of the mines, and lived the life of wealthy travellers at hotels, robbing their guests as they went along. Both criminals were arrested, and each sentenced to seven years' imprisonment at Capetown, after which they were ordered to be deported.

On the way to America the vessel on board of which they were placed called at Southampton, and "Smith" and Ferrari here jumped the boat. They stayed at a hotel at Southampton, robbed the place the same night, and went to London with the proceeds. Ferrari was living at a sumptuous establishment at Regent's Park when "Smith" was arrested for shooting Eddie Guerin. He had plenty of money, and indulged his taste in literature in a fine library of books in four languages. After serving the five years Ferrari is to be deported to Italy.

The number of sovereigns in use is four and a half times as great as that of half sovereigns.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN RANGERS.

Reported That Scattered Companies Will Be Formed Into Battalion.

Considerable of a change will take place in the Rocky Mountain Rangers at the beginning of the coming year, says the Rossland Miner. There are now five scattered companies, but these are to be formed into a battalion of six companies, two of which will be stationed at Nelson.

Capt. J. H. Holmes, of Kaslo, the present senior captain, will become lieutenant colonel. Capt. Lorne Stewart, of Nelson, next in order of seniority, will be major. The second Nelson company was organized at Nelson recently and is under command of Lieutenant Carle and Partridge, who will shortly receive their commissions.

FRUIT GROWERS IN CONVENTION

MEETING IS BEING HELD HERE TO-DAY

Large Gathering of Horticulturists Are in Attendance Discussing Question of Co-operation

There was a large gathering of fruit growers out this afternoon to meet the officials of the B. C. Fruit and Produce Exchange. The meeting was held in the Maple committee room in the Parliament building.

President of the Victoria Fruit Growers' Association, in the chair.

Although the meeting was called for 1:30, it did not commence business till 2 o'clock. The gathering was representative of the district and there were also present J. A. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture; W. J. Brander and Mr. Johnson of Nelson.

F. Somers was appointed secretary in the absence of Capt. Elliston, secretary of the association.

J. A. Anderson opened with an address on co-operation. He hoped this meeting would decide to do something toward forming a co-operative association. Only this morning he had a letter from Enderby saying that the association at Armstrong was not doing its work properly. Numbers of other complaints had been made with more or less truth in them. He then read a paper telling of the work done in packing and grading in the Colorado packing station by W. Paddock.

Mr. Anderson's paper was received with applause.

Mr. Johnson then told of what he had seen when visiting different parts of the province.

The meeting is still in progress.

BACK FROM SURVEY.

J. H. Gray Has Returned From the Northern Part of the Province.

J. H. Gray, C. E., returned yesterday from an extended professional engagement in the North.

Mr. Gray has been employed all summer in the Bulkley valley and the territories in and about the upper reaches of the Skeena river. He was occupied chiefly in correcting old surveys made by the provincial government in past years, the prospective construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific having made it important that these lines be accurately delimited.

Mr. Gray was occupied in the Bulkley valley all last summer in connection with the same work.

SCOW CAPSIZED AT COMOX.

The tug Spray, assisted by the tug Saddle, came to port this morning towing an overturned scow, which upset at Union Bay, after being loaded with coal. The Saddle took the scow to Union to bring down hard coal, and the accident occurred during the loading operations.

Owing to the terrific amount of strain on the Spray while towing the unwieldy scow, her progress was very slow and the Saddle was dispatched to her assistance by the local agents, W. J. Brander and J. H. Gray. The Saddle met the Spray in Dodge Narrows, and the two tugs steamed in together during the forenoon to-day. Apart from the heavy loss occasioned by the upsetting of the scow, considerable trouble and expense will be occasioned by the tedious operation of righting it.

NOT DISCOURAGED.

Mikkelsen and Lettingwell Will Make Another Search for Land.

Writing from Flaxman Island, August 20th, Ernest Lettingwell, who accompanied Capt. E. Mikkelsen on his search for land in Beaufort Bay, says that the leader of the Anglo-American polar expedition has not given up all hope of accomplishing his object.

Referring to the trip made by Capt. Mikkelsen and himself in the spring, Lettingwell says that they followed the continental ledge for fifty miles out from the land, but there lost it, soundings showing nearly 300 fathoms. The writer, however, expresses the belief that the ledge runs prior to eastward, and states that Capt. Mikkelsen will make another attempt next spring. Lettingwell says that he will spend the time surveying the coast line.

Capt. Mikkelsen will probably go eastward and do some work in Canadian territory to repay the government for the funds advanced to him.

Capt. Otto Birkholtz was the recipient of Lettingwell's letter, and the writer says that the captain will not be called upon to fit out a relief expedition as arranged for in case of necessity.

Speaking of the loss of the schooner Duchess of Bedford, Lettingwell says that the vessel was a comfortable one and very satisfactory in every way. The fact that she was not sheathed, however, was the cause of her breaking up and the breaking up of the ice pulled the oakum out of her sides and made her hopelessly leaky. At the time when Lettingwell's letter was written he and Mikkelsen were living in a comfortable hut on shore made from the wreckage of the schooner.

ILLNESS OF M. P.

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—E. B. Gunn, Conservative M. P. for South Huron, was taken to the hospital this morning, suffering from stomach trouble.

DEBATE ON ADDRESS OPENS TO-DAY

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and R. L. Borden to Speak--Will Last Till Wednesday.

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—The debate on the address opens the Senate and House of Commons this afternoon. It is not expected to be through until Wednesday evening. The mover and seconder will be followed by R. L. Borden, while Sir Wilfrid Laurier is also expected to reply. Hon. George Foster and George W. Foster returned from their Colchester campaign this morning and are expected to take part in the address also, as well as Hon. W. Pugsley. Senator Davis intends to re-introduce his bill of last session regarding the stoppage of railway trains at intervals for passengers to obtain meals.

THE POLICE COURT.

The Dallas Case Adjourned--Another Case Settled Out of Court.

In the police court this morning the case against the Dallas hotel for supplying liquor on a Sunday was adjourned until Wednesday morning, as the proprietor, J. Paterson, was unable to attend through ill-health.

A boy of 15, George Smith, came up for assaulting a smaller lad of about eight, named Stanley Featherstone. The case was adjourned until to-morrow morning.

One drunk appeared to answer for his carousal.

The case of door breaking at the Royal Arm hotel was settled out of court.

The Princess Victoria sailed from Vancouver at 1:35, after connecting with the train from the East. She will arrive about 6:30.

The Gospel hall, Pandora street, was filled with an attentive audience when J. J. Rouse showed from the word of God that many of the ways which seem right unto man are wrong, there being only one way of Salvation. The subject to-night will be: "The Door-Open, When It Will Close--What Will Be the Effect on Those Outside." There will be meetings each night this week at 8 o'clock.

Forty thousand visitors paid for admission to Shakespeare's house in England during last year. Sixty-six different countries were represented. About 10,500 came from the United States.

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NEARLY 3,000,000 ATTENDED.

Jamestown Exhibition Came to a Conclusion on Saturday.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 30.—Bright sunshine, with the haze of Indian summer lingering over the landscape, greeted the closing days of the Jamestown exposition, and the attractive programme had drawn a great crowd to the grounds. It is a day of parting and farewells among the thousands of exhibitors, employees, and officials. This evening in the auditorium President Tucker will deliver a speech reviewing the exposition and setting forth its hardships and its successes, and Director-General Martin will make a financial statement. At midnight President Tucker will turn off the lights and the big fair will be closed. Director-General Martin to-day issued a statement showing the total attendance at the exposition since the opening on April 22nd, to have been about 2,800,000 people, of which about 1,500,000 paid.

CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

Winnipeg, Nov. 30.—Winnipeg clearing house returns for the month ending to-day were \$26,718,494; corresponding month in 1906, \$23,667,080; corresponding month in 1905, \$15,522,178.

TURMOIL IN RUSSIAN DOUMA

DEMOCRAT'S SPEECH LED TO RIOTOUS SCENES

Reactionaries Stormed Tribune—Roditcheff Rescued With Difficulty.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 30.—The session of the Douma held to-day, which was devoted to the continuation of the debate on the declaration of the government presented by Premier Stolypin yesterday, broke up in a riot. The reactionaries assaulted Feodor Roditcheff, the operator of the Constitutional Democrats, and attempted to drag him from the tribune in order to put an end to his vitriolic attack on the government. Premier Stolypin and other members of the cabinet witnessed the demonstration from the ministerial box, but they departed when it became evident that the mob had no intention of allowing the session to proceed.

M. Roditcheff, during the course of a ringing speech, in which he was constantly interrupted by applause or jeers, was eulogizing the hundred of victims of the drumhead courtmartial, and when he referred to the officials of the government as hangmen, a hundred reactionaries, led by Vladimir Purishovitch, monarchist, and two priests, yelling like Indians, stormed the tribune. President Khomikoff, after ringing his bell and calling for order, abandoned the chair and declared the sitting closed.

The Constitutional Democrats and Social Democrats charged to the rescue of M. Roditcheff, who was being roughly handled. They formed a phalanx around him, and bore him, shouting defiance, to one corner of the hall. The tumult continued for nearly half an hour, until the party leaders succeeded in withdrawing their followers to the committee rooms for consultation.

During his speech, M. Roditcheff said the Russian foreign policy of the government in Poland and Finland made him ashamed to call himself a Russian citizen.

"The Stolypin necktie" was the expression by Feodor Roditcheff, the orator of the Constitutional Democrats in the Douma this afternoon, to designate the summary regime of drumhead courtmartial instituted by Premier Stolypin in August, 1906, and decreed out of existence by the second Douma last April. The phrase is on all lips in the capital to-night. The phrase has already become historical; it has completely blotted out the effect of the minister's declarations in subsequent debates and destroyed the complaisance of the Conservatives, restoring the tense atmosphere of the earlier Dumas.

Upon M. Stolypin, who, in company with his colleagues, was sitting near the speaker's tribune, the words fell as a thunderbolt, recalling the most painful incident of his career as premier. He turned deathly white, clenched the desk and stared motionless for several minutes at the unprecedented storm let loose by the reactionaries surging past him. Finally he left the chamber without uttering a word.

The Associated Press learns that to the minister with him in the pavilion, M. Stolypin announced firmly his decision to challenge M. Roditcheff to a duel, and asked M. Chetchevitchoff, the minister of justice, and Prince Vassilichkoff to act as his seconds. All efforts to dissuade the premier from this course were futile. The seconds named, however, employing the most tact to forestall such an event, which would have shaken the entire government, approached M. Roditcheff and in delicate terms inquired what his intentions were toward the premier.

The tumult subsided for half an hour, during which the speaker was severely handled and carried away bodily by his supporters to a corner of the hall. The party leaders then entered into a long conversation, and it was made plain by the Constitutional Democrats that M. Roditcheff had meant no personal attack on the premier, but had been carried away by impetuosity. M. Roditcheff thereupon went to the pavilion and begged M. Stolypin's forgiveness.

After an hour's intermission, during which the passions of the members subsided, the session re-opened. M. Khomikoff, the president, openly lectured the Rightist members and then proposed to suspend M. Roditcheff for fifteen sittings. The latter arose and said that he had no intention of offending any one. He would let his words, however, appear in the records as spoken, because he believed that they corresponded to the reality. The suspension was voted by 69 majority by the Right. The Constitutional Democrats, led by M. Milukoff, joined in the subsequent ovation to testify to the Douma's high regard for Premier Stolypin.

The incident interrupted a speech of exceptional power and eloquence. M. Roditcheff making what is regarded as one of the greatest efforts of his life. His daring exposure of the Police cause and his argument, proving that the earliest Russian political ideals were democratic and not autocratic, is considered to be the most masterly exposition heard within the walls of the Douma.

CRASHES TO GROUND WITH HUMAN FREIGHT

Two Men Killed and Seven Persons Seriously Injured in Elevator Car Fall.

Chicago, Nov. 30.—Two men were killed and seven other persons seriously injured to-day by the falling of an elevator in a building at 202 Jackson boulevard, occupied by the clothing firm of Edenhimer, Stein & Co.

While the car, which contained nearly twenty passengers, the majority of whom were women employed by the firm, was approaching the ninth floor, on a downward trip, the cable parted. The car fell to the bottom of the shaft and was transformed into a mass of wreckage.

Eight of the occupants could not be extricated without the aid of the police and fire departments.

CANNON RENOMINATED.

Washington, Nov. 30.—In the caucus of the Republican members of the House to-night, Speaker Cannon was renominated for speaker. All the old members of the House were also renominated. The caucus refused to seat Peter Porter, of the 34th New York district, who was elected as an independent.

By agreeing to place in nomination for speaker John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, the Democratic members of the House to-day in effect determined to continue him in the position of minority leader for the sixtieth congress. The nomination of Mr. Williams was agreed on in a caucus of the Democratic members held to-day. There was no opposition, and Mr. Williams was selected by acclamation.

MONASTERY BURNED TO GROUND

Priest Loses His Life in \$200,000 Fire Which Destroyed Three Structures.

Covington, La., Nov. 30.—One life is known to have been lost, and over \$200,000 worth of property was destroyed in a fire near here to-day, when St. Joseph's academy, St. Joseph's monastery and St. Joseph's Catholic church were burned. All of these institutions occupied a lot together near Covington.

When the ruins were searched this afternoon the charred body of the Rev. Joseph Buck, who was attached to the academy, was found. A fireman who was thought at first to have lost his life, has since been located.

The fire, which started in the dormitory of St. Joseph's academy, was caused by a radiator becoming too hot. There were 110 students in the academy when the alarm was sounded, and many of them had narrow escapes, but Rev. Father Buck is believed to have been the only one to lose his life. The buildings were all practically new. Father Buck's library, containing over 8,000 valuable works, and that of the students, with 1,000 volumes, were destroyed.

OPPOSITION BASED ON PREJUDICE

Baron Ishii Returns to Tokio After Investigating Immigration Question in Canada.

Tokio, Nov. 30.—Baron Ishii, chief of the bureau of commerce of the Japanese foreign office, who visited the United States and Canada for the purpose of investigating the immigration problem, arrived in Tokio to-day and conferred with the officials of the foreign office, with whom he engaged in a thorough canvas of the situation for the coming week.

In an interview Baron Ishii said: "My visit to the United States and Canada convinced me that the opposition to Japanese immigration is based on prejudice, though a considerable amount of it is due to labor troubles instituted by agitators. I found Japanese residents in the United States and Canada who resent the incoming of their countrymen from the Hawaiian islands and Mexico, which is disliked. While it is impossible for the Japanese to conserve the interests of their countrymen now residing abroad, many of whom are prospering and living peacefully in America, in my opinion it will be necessary in order to keep absolute faith with the United States to prevent the emigration of laborers there altogether, because an exclusion pact would be disagreeable. We should send laborers to Canada in great moderation."

WINNIPEG'S MAYOR.

Winnipeg, Nov. 30.—The municipal elections, take place one week from Tuesday. Mayor Ashdown will be re-elected by acclamation, but the attempt to endorse a ticket for a board of control to support him ended in failure. It will be a go-as-you-please vote, with the possibility of two opponents to the mayor being returned. Only half the council are elected each year. The six aldermen who do not have to seek election this year are opposed to Mayor Ashdown's policy of delaying the building of the power works.

DIED FROM NEGLIGENCE.

Destitute Woman Hides Body of Child in Trunk.

Milestone, Sask., Nov. 30.—A desperate effort of a young woman to conceal her shame was brought to light on Thursday when the dead body of a newborn child was discovered in a trunk in a room over the drug store occupied by a young woman recently arrived in town.

Evidence at the inquest last night tended to show that the birth took place ten days or two weeks ago. The child was alive when born, and death, according to the medical evidence, was due to asphyxiation. Shortly after the arrival in town of the young woman she endeavored to obtain employment as a dressmaker and rented rooms for that purpose. Evidently there was little or no call for her services, as she took employment in the Chinese restaurant and was in a destitute condition at the time of her confinement.

A verdict of death due to neglect was returned. The young woman is detained pending further investigation.

LOGGING OPERATIONS.

International Lumber Company is Opening Up Limits at Campbell River.

The International Lumber Company will open out a very large logging industry at Campbell river, on Vancouver Island, early next spring, when more than two hundred men will be given employment. No Orientals will be given work.

A number of men are at work building wharves and constructing a railway

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MUFFS to match...\$18.00
GRAY SQUIRREL STOLE, \$7.50, \$9 and...\$12.75
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which is to haul the logs out of the woods to the water. A permit has been granted to allow the company to build its line through an Indian reserve in the district. The railway will be more than three miles in length. Considerable work is also being done on portable houses, and there is every evidence that a large village will spring up in connection with the industries.

PROBING CIVIC MORALS.

Calgary, Nov. 30.—In the civic investigation now under way, Alderman Hunt, who is largely responsible for the investigation being made, now denies that he made any accusations against the mayor or aldermen of graft or corruption. If any such construction has been put upon remarks made in an address before a men's own meeting at one of the city churches he is willing to apologize. So far the investigation has been unproductive of results.

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THE ANNUITIES BILL.

Beyond question the Dominion government is anxious to turn all the resources of the country to the most profitable account for the people of the country. But there is no ground whatever for the assumption that in propounding an old age pension or annuity scheme the administration will be animated by any such desire. There is an inherent disposition in every normally constituted person to make a suitable provision for the day when he can no longer compete with his fellows whose faculties are still fresh and vigorous. To take advantage of this human trait would not be defensible. It would constitute a proper subject for the most effective kind of criticism, and we can easily imagine the nature of the attack which would be directed by a vigilant opposition upon any such proposition. We believe we can say with authority it is not the fact that the old age annuities scheme of Sir Richard Cartwright contemplates confiscation of the money paid into the federal treasury by an individual who dies before he is old enough to be entitled to the pension he had in view when he became a contributor to the annuity funds. Our dispatch from Ottawa with reference to the subject says the bill which the government will introduce this session in regard to old age annuities is about the same as that which Sir Richard Cartwright laid before the Senate last session. The bill in question provides as follows (section 8): "In case of the death of any annuitant before the time at which a government annuity becomes payable to him, all moneys paid by him in consideration of such annuity shall be paid to his heirs or legal representatives, with interest thereon at three per cent. per annum. (In such case the provisions of section 7 of this act shall apply to such moneys.)" Section 7 provides that the property and interest in any contract for a government annuity of any annuitant shall be exempt from the operation of any law relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, and shall not be seized or levied upon by or under the process of any court whatever. So that the measure is intended as an extension of the principle and advantages of government savings banks, and if adopted ought to add greatly to the popularity of that most popular of Canadian institutions.

THE PHANTOMS WE PURSUE.

We are again approaching the time of retrospection and introspection—the days are short and the nights long, with Christmas and New Year's drawing near. The short days are not by any means melancholy days in this portion of the world, because the cheerful warmth of a bright fire and the company of the great ones of old who were tempted to commit their thoughts and experiences to paper constitute sufficient compensation for whatever inclemency there may be in the weather. Still we, as a somewhat morbid correspondent reminds us, cannot shut our eyes to the fact that Time is passing, and increasing his pace with every passing year. The ceaseless procession in the direction of a certain quarter of the city constitutes a reminder to every individual in whom the seeds of mortality have been planted, and must finally germinate that his time shall come. Still it is peculiar, and possibly a very natural, trait of the human mind, that we may remind our melancholy mentor, that it is endowed with the admirable faculty of dismissing, to spite periodical reminders, all thoughts

of mortality. The thought of the inevitable sits lightly upon the minds of most of us. Possibly there exists a lingering idea, at the root of much of our otherwise cannot be logically accounted for, that the grim visitor may never knock at our door at all. Certain philosophers, scientists and investigators have periodically set up theories which have nourished this hope and given it something to feed upon—temporarily. But the procession in the direction we have indicated never stops. Thus Professor Charles S. Minot, not the first of his class by any means, writes in the Popular Science Monthly: "In regard to growing old, the matter is very different. There we should, indeed, like to have some principle given to us which would delay the rate of senescence and leave us for a longer period the enjoyment of our mature faculties. I can, as you have readily submitted by what I have said to you, present to you no new rule by which this can be accomplished, but I can venture to suggest to you that in the future deeper insight into these mysteries probably awaits us, and that there may indeed come a time when we can somewhat regulate these matters. If it be true that the growing old depends upon the increase of the protoplasm, and the proportional diminution of the nucleus, we can perhaps in the future find some means by which the activity of the nuclei can be increased and the younger system of organization thereby prolonged. That is only a dream of the possible future. It would not be safe even to call it a prophecy. But stranger things and more unexpected have happened, and perhaps this will also."

EVIDENCE OF THE WORLD'S PROGRESS.

The cynical editor of London Truth, fresh from victory in another suit for libel, has been indulging in some characteristic gibes at the conditions in modern society. As we all know, these are the days of anniversaries. Anniversaries of all kinds are duly and fittingly celebrated. A comparatively few years ago if any one kept a record of the various events in his or her life, such as the personally important events of birth and marriage days, little was ever said about it publicly. Now all these things are matters of accurate record and of celebrations and jubilees. The ladies, of course, especially of the classes which are not greatly concerned about the dearth of domestic labor, are quite diligent in marking the milestones in the journey of life and of having everything appertaining thereto duly chronicled in the society columns of the daily papers. Divorce is rapidly becoming the most popular of modern institutions. It is not confined exclusively to the newly-rich society of the United States, either, as we in Canada are altogether too prone to assume. A glance at any of the newspapers of Great Britain furnishes convincing evidence of that fact. The French say this indicates that the English are progressing in the arts of civilization. The divorce habit, however, is affecting to some extent the genius for celebrating anniversaries. Hence something must be done to compensate the "victims" of the habit. Mr. Labouchere is the first to chronicle the fact that that something has been done. He says the silver separation is a cynical imitation of the silver wedding. A well-known woman recently celebrated her silver separation and her husband (that was sent her a valuable present "in memory of the many happy days we have lived apart." There is no question that the world is forging ahead. Unless there shall be a reaction, it will be a most interesting place to live in, say half a century hence.

It has always been more or less of a mystery to us why normally constituted people should become patrons of "bookmakers" at race meetings. But it would be useless to close our eyes to the facts. Even in Toronto, staid, sober and ascetic, according to popular report, the "bookies" twice a year do a roaring trade. It may be that after all the chap who is always looking for a "long shot" (whatever that may be) is really the normally-constituted man. At any rate the book-maker flourishes wherever he sets up his stand in all parts of the world. The Toronto people tried lately to have his business declared illegal, and as the subject possesses some interest for us in view of recent discussions about forms of attractions at Victoria's annual fair, the decision of the court to which the matter was referred is important. Whether it is as comprehensive as indicated by the opinion of the Toronto Globe we do not know. That paper says: "You can bet at Woodbine now," says a Vancouver paper of the recent decision of the Court of Appeal. It does not seem to be generally understood that the law in this question is a Dominion statute, and covers Canada, not simply Toronto. Though the decision is one of an Ontario court, the effect is to define the law in all the Provinces.

St. John Sun—So large a place in so long a span of Canadian history Sir Wilfrid Laurier has filled that the reminder his birthday brings of his comparative youthfulness comes as an annual surprise. To-day this man, whom his political opponents are telling the people is old, and must soon relinquish his invincible leadership of the Liberal party, is only 56. At that age his former predecessor, Sir John A. Macdonald, had not yet reached the height

of his political strength. After he was 66, Sir John held the Premiership of Canada for ten years, and led his party successfully through three elections. He was still Premier when he died, full of honor, at the age of 76. The present Premier of Great Britain is 71 years old. Lord Salisbury held office till he was 72. Gladstone was Premier at 85. Disraeli at 76. To-day day Sir Wilfrid is in better health than for many years, and mentally he is as keen and vigorous as at any time in the 36 years of public service, during which his patriotism and statesmanship and personal integrity have raised him step by step in the esteem and affection of the people to the unchallenged position of Canada's greatest son.

A matter of great international importance has arisen in Great Britain. It concerns the nationality of "Tommy Burns," who will shortly engage in a duel under many art rules with "Gunner Moir." Mr. Burns protests that being a Canadian born, he is just as loyal a subject as his prospective antagonist. Mr. Burns of Canada fought Mr. Squires of Australia in San Francisco as an American. But probably he employed the term American in its broader sense. Anyhow, the controversy must be considered very interesting.

Football is still the ruling athletic passion in the West, where the weather conditions are soft. But in the East the "pigskin" has been stowed away for the season, and already the "fans" are beginning to speculate about the prospects of baseball for 1908, although the training season will not begin until March. It is the age of athletic worship. Perhaps this tendency of the times accounts for the dearth of great orators and of writers whose works are worth reading.

Ambassador Reid was quite complimentary in his references to Canada at the American Thanksgiving day banquet in London. But we were not aware that there was any cause of war between the "spirited colony on our northern frontier" and the United States which we had consented to adjust by arbitration. Nor will there ever be such a cause as far as Canada is concerned. We are not an insanely emotional people.

A writer in one of the magazines says the American millionaire appears to him to be the only individual in this world who appears to get nothing out of life. Well, what about John D. Rockefeller and Andrew Carnegie and other enthusiastic golfers—not to speak of Harry K. Thaw, and others, who look for pleasure in other directions?

A Visit to a Doukhobor Village

By Lally Bernard in the Toronto Globe.

Verigin is the new Doukhobor town on the Canadian Northern railway. There it is on the railway line, not very far from Kamusack, a little town in embryo, called after a man who six years ago was a political exile in Siberia. Six years ago I found the Doukhoborists dwelling in houses often constructed of poplar laths, covered with clay, and roofed with soda. Here in the year of grace 1907, on a chill September evening, I drew up before two neatly-built pink brick houses, shingled in the most approved style, with windows which would do credit to a Toronto residence, and a veranda which might satisfy even the American who loves his or her piazza. Here they were, the two buildings which are destined to become the centre of activity for the twenty-two Doukhobor villages in the district, for in one of them Peter Verigin has his official quarters, his "club chambers," so to speak, next to the big co-operative store, and the second building is a sort of storehouse, attached to the office, where all the up-to-date office fittings, including a telephone, are to be found.

We were greeted by an agent for some firm of agricultural implements who was spending some days in the "town"—an annual visit which, he informed us, brought much grief to his mill. Whatever may be the opinion of the individual settlers in the district, and the ideas of the individual general store-keeper whose highly-priced goods are not purchased by the "Douks," there can be no doubt as to the affection which agricultural implement agents hold for the people who prove such ready customers, and who buy such little articles as harvesters by the trainload. Their custom is well worth cultivating, and their hospitality is undoubtedly accepted with cordial alertness.

Our arrival would hardly be called opportune. This town in embryo presented but scant accommodation for the workers who were engaged in one or other of the many enterprises on hand. Mr. Verigin's overseer was sent for a gentleman whose appearance and manner suggested a member of the stock exchange. There was not the slightest trace of the Doukhobor of six years ago. Clad in rough blue serge, the coat made with a sort of lampshade skirt, high boots and the peaked cap now universal among motorists. Here was a man who might have been turned out by one of the most fashionable tailors. His natty suit of tweeds, his collar, tie, the very way in which his hair was parted, his ample display of waistcoat and the gold watch chain which measured its breadth proclaimed that he had become "Canadianized" to a degree which would warrant his standing as a member of a Canadian legislature.

We first entered the "club chambers" of Mr. Verigin, a small sitting room and a larger sleeping apartment, where the recumbent form of a young Doukhobor man proclaimed that early hours were the habit of the community. Later on we were taken to the office, where we waited while supper was being prepared

in the restaurant across the square. The workmen emerged from this neatly-built edifice and strolled across to their sleeping apartments over the office. There was an interval, when I found myself telephoning to Mr. Archer, an English gentleman, in the distant village of Vancouver—a curious experience when one contemplated conditions of six years ago. One of the boys in the office called up the village, using his native tongue in the process, and it was with no little amusement that one noticed his change of tone in addressing the invisible comrade at the other end of the wire. "They are already not these young 'Douks,' and one of the most healthy signs of the time is the cheerfulness and good spirits of the people. Whatever may be said against community life as a factor in the building up of the country, there is much to be said in favor of a system which brings life and vitality into the social domain of the young people. Laughter and song are splendid tonics for workers, and among the 'Douks' you find it. As we waited for the special preparation of an evening meal we heard the men singing overhead as they prepared for their night's rest in the men's quarters. It may have been an evening hymn, or it may have been one of the 'folk songs' in which these people delight."

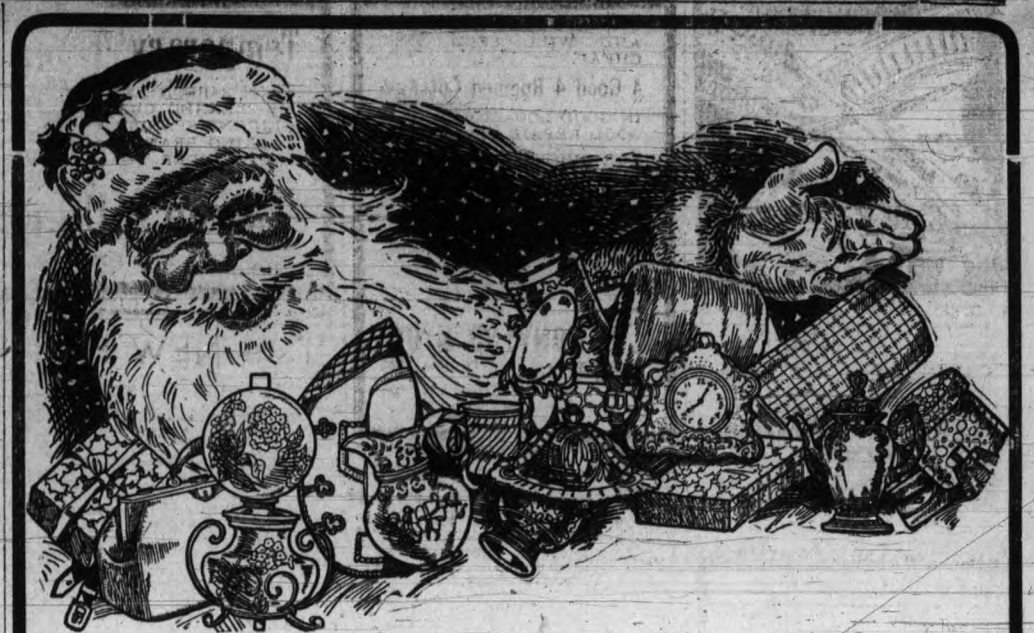
We were ushered into the long room, where two long, narrow tables were set out, ready for the early breakfast, "Douks" bestir themselves at sunrise. A great clay oven stood at one side, and its various ledges and shelves were garnished with many cooking utensils of granite ware, a great contrast to those formerly used in the villages. An excellent supper of eggs, browned potatoes and fresh bread and butter, preserved fruit, and tea such as only the Russian people know how to brew, awaited us. Two pretty dark-eyed girls ministered to our wants, and it was with these two young ladies that I was later conducted to the upstairs bedroom over the store, where I was to pass the night—for now there are two stories to most of the Doukhobor dwellings—and here the women of the family have their sleeping apartment.

The passage which led to the little room under the roof contained six or eight Singer sewing machines. So it is little wonder that the marvellous needlework of the Doukhobor women is fast becoming a thing of the past. Mr. Verigin is said to discourage the work of the "Doukhobor home industries" on the score that the "women have too much business to attend to." Let the truth be told, I shook my fist at those machines. They represented the decadence of a craft which may be reckoned as a high art in these degenerated days. How droll it was, that darning in the tiny room, where a single bed, modelled on the design of our Canadian article, was placed at my disposal, while a double bed of the same pattern was to be occupied by two pretty girls, whose knowledge of English was greater than their power to speak it. Feminine curiosity was at a high pitch in that neat little bedroom! It was with mingled feelings that one watched the funny-looking Canadian machine-made boots instead of kicking off high-heeled sandals, as of yore, though they still wore the blue and white mottled stockings of former days.

No longer are the quaint "tea-cups" with their borders of black velvet, worn. A kerchief takes their place. No more does one see the funny-looking sleeveless jackets of black velvet with their gray borders. The full skirts of gaily-designed cretonne and the long aprons keep the full bodices tight and neat, but little by little the women are following the men in their rage for Canadian fashions. Pantomime had to suffice as a conversational medium. One of the girls read from a book printed in Russian characters, but it may have been a book of devotion or a novel for aught one could determine. The last thing one heard as one wandered off into the land of dreams was the sound of distant chanting in the men's quarters, and it was hardly light when one shrill trouble voice began a quavering challenge, and one by one voices joined in which must have been a hymn intended to rebuke the slothful. This will undoubtedly be superseded by the steam whistle before long, but it will not be as effective a reveille!

A stroll through the store was interesting. Never was there a more neatly arranged emporium. Everything that could possibly be required in this prairie region was there, with the exception of canned meats. It was a model store, where everything from a knitting needle to a scythe, from Canadian-made sweet-meats to canned vegetables and cheese, could be bought for a fairly reasonable price. In front of the offices was a huge pile of agricultural implements and bits of machinery ready to be conveyed to different villages, and when one learns that in one year the community spent \$58,108 on agricultural implements alone, it is not to realize that the agent we had met had reason to be so anxious to see the "Douks" walk across the prairie bridge to the great elevator, which is not yet finished, where fifty thousand bushels of wheat can be stored; a roller flour mill which cost \$35,000, where the first story is built of cement blocks on cement piers, testified to the skill of the Douks. A spur track from the Canadian Northern branch line to the yards, where work goes steadily on. Across the tracks are the houses in process of building where some hundreds of Doukhobors from Rosthern are settling. Everything there is the same story—industry, enterprise and thrift. The grain stored from last year's crop will amply suffice to compensate for the ravages of frost this season. Some of the granaries we saw were excellently built. Schoolhouses are now being erected in nearly every village, which will serve for Divine service on Sundays. Village stores are being changed, new houses are universal. We drove to what was once known as Protopovshe, where the writer once had tea with the ancient Barbouka Verigin, now at rest, and here was the new house built for Peter Verigin. It is ornamented with a sort of lacework of since, has eight rooms, and a brand new Canadian-made steel range was ready for use in the kitchen, but the house was admirably heated with neat brick ovens, which warmed both lower and upper story. The living rooms were lined with sweet-scented cedar from British Columbia, and an elaborate finish for the doorways and windows of a sort of fretwork design. A long, wide avenue of grassed-up on the village to the residence, which is on a slight eminence.

To sum up the general impression conveyed by one's visit would be difficult. Contending emotions lifted through one's mind. There was undoubted prosperity, a rapid advancement towards comfort, and what is in contrast to many homes of individualists, luxury. Cattle were many. Community stables were admirably constructed, with accommodation for many horses. Of the people we saw but little. They were all engaged in the busy work of the splendid machinery drawn by well-fed horses did the work which a few years ago was accomplished by hand labor. Many of the younger men speak exceedingly good English—or should one say Canadian, for "I guess" and "sure" are the most common expressions on their lips. In every house one entered there was the same change in the cooking utensils, and the brick oven had usually a sheet of iron on one portion of its surface which converted it into a stove. Stone foundations and wooden flooring, shingled roofs and windows which can be opened or shut replace the primitive arrangements of houses now deserted.



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The community life is still much in evidence. We met a few of the individualistic Douks, however, and one pretty young woman who was dressed exactly like a Canadian settler's wife, informed us that "there was too much squabbling" in the villages to allow them to continue as members of the community. Her husband was out with his gun, and we met him returning with a good bag of duck for the larder; so communism and vegetarianism had together been abandoned. During all the time spent among the villages one heard no word of complaint. Neither the action of the government in throwing open their lands to all comers or the ravages of the frost were commented upon. These people had husbanded their strength; they were thrifty and their credit was recognized by all those with whom they dealt as reliable. It was an inspiring example of what the Dominion of Canada can present in the way of opportunities for those who take advantage of them to the fullest extent.

ple have a great future before them. They are sober, industrious and honest. Organized and co-operative effort is the basis of their strength, but in the long run communism is doomed. As I have written before, for good or for ill, individualism must come with their further acquisition of the English language and British ideals of citizenship. It is inevitable, and the movement will grow by leaps and bounds in the next few years.

There are problems of inextinguishable interests for the student of sociology to be found in the Doukhobor settlements, problems which must teach us to weigh with care the advantages and disadvantages in our own method of settlement and development of that vast area, the prairie provinces of the great Northwest.

SATURN'S RINGS.

Is the planet Saturn losing its rings? Astronomical circles in America, according to cablegrams which have been sent to England, are excited by the discovery that the belts which have made Saturn unique in the solar system are gradually disappearing. It appears, however, that the professors are too cautious to make any pronouncement so definite as this, and it is possible that the unscientific persons who have deduced new and startling phenomena from what has been given out officially may be mistaken. "The condensations," Professor Lowell is reported to have said, "are practically permanent and symmetric for both sides of the ring system."

"A very tall American story," was the opinion of Dr. Lockyer, of the Solar Physics Laboratory at South Kensington, London, to whom a press representative submitted the statement. The present position of the great ring around Saturn was such, he said, that it could hardly be seen, and certainly would not be recognized by the uninformed person as a ring at all. At the last meeting of the Astronomical Society a report was read from Professor Campbell, of the Lick

Observatory, to the effect that instead of appearing through the telescope as a very thin straight line the ring of Saturn was only visible as a series of small spots.

"But," said Dr. Lockyer, "I do not think any special significance has been attached to that—certainly no idea that the rings are falling away found expression. The rings are composed of course, of millions of small stars, and if these are tumbling up against one another, as has been suggested, they would be likely to become gaseous and explode, or to fall upon the planet in the form of comets. I don't think there is any reason to suppose that Saturn is undergoing one of those epochal changes out of which new worlds are born. We know definitely that there are no people on Saturn. The only planets that may possibly be inhabited, so far as scientific observation shows, are Mars and Venus."





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the Friendly Help Society will hold a
meeting in the market building. All
friends are invited to attend, as busi-
ness of importance is to be transacted.

—The regular meeting of the Nat-
ural History Society will be held this
evening at 8 o'clock in their rooms, the
subject being, "The Grouse of British
Columbia," by Dr. Hasell.

—The regular review of Baxter Hive
No. 8, L. O. T. M., will be held at
Sample's hall, Victoria West, at 8:30
p. m. to-morrow. A full attendance is
requested for important business. A
social time will be held at the close
of the business session.

—The Metropolitan Epworth League
will resume their meetings this week.
This evening at 8 o'clock the lesson of
the Christian Endeavor department
will be present to conduct the con-
secration meeting. All members and
friends are requested to be present.

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young people, to be given under the
patronage of Mrs. James Dunsmuir,
will be held at Government House in
aid of the ~~working fund~~ fund of the
Women's Auxiliary and the Daughters
of the ~~Epworth League~~ Epworth League.

—In the list of birthday honors the
name of Hon. Wm. Douglas Young, ad-
ministrator of the presidency of Do-
minica, West Indies, appears, being
honored with the C. M. G. The recipient
is the son of the late Hon. W. A.
G. Young, for several years colonial
secretary. He was born in this city.

—Those in charge of the production
of "The House That Jack Built" were
gratified on Saturday by large audi-
ences, both at the matinee and evening
performance. The participants ac-
quitted themselves well and called
forth loud applause. The theatre was
filled at both performances.

—The remains of the late George
Steele Wilkins, were forwarded Satur-
day evening, by the British Columbia
Funeral Furnishing Company, to the
family home in Red Deer, Alberta. The
deceased was visiting Victoria on his
wedding tour when he died. Before
the remains left the city, a service
was conducted at 47 Menzies street.
Rev. Canon Beauland conducted the
service.

—Dr. James Hannay, F. R. S. C., who
has been investigating the historical
possessions of the province on behalf
of the archives department of Can-
ada, completed his work here on Sat-
urday, and left for Regina and Prince
Albert, where he will be similarly en-
gaged. Dr. Hannay reports that he
succeeded in locating some interesting
records among the provincial archives.

—Opening at the New Grand to-day
are Jack Lawrence and Maud Harvey
in "His Father's Son." Tom and Edith
Almond, musical, singing and dancing
act; Bush and Elliott, acrobatic won-
ders; Nina Beeson, dramatic con-
shouter; Conlan and Carter, comedians;
Thos. J. Price in the illustrated song,
"Southern Girl"; new moving pictures,
and "Sound From the Sunny South,"
by Isenman, by the orchestra.

—The regular meeting of Court Van-
couver A. O. F., No. 5755 will commence
this evening at the K. of P. hall at 7:30
p. m. An unusual large amount of
congested business, which has been
before the court for some time, will be
finally disposed of. Reports from the
annual roll call and social committee
will come before the members. Seven
new candidates will be up for initia-
tion, and the degree of Robin Hood
will be conferred on them.

—Residents near the Clover Point
Range, on the Dallas road, have enter-
ed protests against the dumping of
garbage by the city in that vicinity.
Complaint is made that a new dump-
ing place has been found since the James
Bay flats were condemned as a place
for depositing garbage, and this new
site is in close proximity to the Dallas
road and offensively near to certain
residences. One of those living near
the place has communicated with the
Times office and says he was nearly
driven out of his home by the stench
from a load recently deposited there.

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Record for November of This Year
Shows Large Advance Over
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The bank clearings for the month of
November showed a total of \$5,030,519.
This is an advance of over a million
dollars as compared with last year's
record.

The development in the clearings for
Victoria from year to year is shown in
the record for the month of November
from 1902, which was as follows: 1902,
\$2,614,555; 1903, \$3,104,340; 1904, \$3,353-
048; 1905, \$3,283,037; 1906, \$4,024,506; 1907,
\$5,030,519.

The showing for the year is very
gratifying to business men in the city.

SACRED CONCERT.

Orphan's Home Was Made Recipient of
Over \$40 From Entertainment.

Yesterday afternoon a sacred concert
was held in the New Grand theatre by the
recently organized city band. There was
a large attendance. The proceeds were
turned over to the Protestant Orphan's
Home.

The hon. treasurer of the British Col-
umbia Protestant Orphan's Home grate-
fully acknowledges the receipt of \$40.25,
being the net proceeds of the collection
taken up at the sacred concert yesterday
given by the band.

To conductor Rogers, his very efficient
band, and those who assisted in making
the concert a success special thanks are
tendered by the Home.

The concert yesterday was very much
enjoyed. Herr Berger was called upon
to respond twice, while the other num-
bers were frequently encored.

APPLICATION REFUSED.

The Council of Public Instruction Desig-
nated as the Proper Court of
Appeal.

The position of the city board of trust-
ees has been sustained so far by the
courts in the matter of admitting the
Chinese children to the schools who have
come to the country recently and are try-
ing to use the schools for the purpose of
getting a rebate of their head tax. A
writ of mandamus, asked for by Fred.
Peters, K. C., was refused by Mr. Justice
Irving, who contended that an appeal
should have been made to the Council of
Public Instruction, who were expressly
designated in the statute as the court to
which such appeals should be taken.

Mr. Peters claimed that the trustees
were not acting within their powers in
refusing to admit anyone to the schools.
H. A. McLean, deputy attorney-general,

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PERSONAL.

Thos. F. Niven, secretary of the Otis
Person Elevator Co., of Toronto, is regis-
tered at the Briard hotel. Mr. Niven is
making his annual inspection of the com-
pany's business in British Columbia.

F. H. Wilson, president of the Chill-
iwack Farmers' Exchange, is in the city
to attend a meeting of fruit growers, to
be held at the parliament buildings this
afternoon.

J. R. Coutts, the inventor of the new
system of manufacturing gas from re-
fuse, is in the city again, a guest at the
Briard hotel.

F. S. and C. C. Deal, of Vancouver, are
registered at the Dominion hotel. The
Messrs. Deal contemplate opening busi-
ness in Victoria.

Frederick Buscombe, ex-Mayor of Van-
couver, is in the city on a business trip.
He is stopping at the Briard.

A. H. B. Macgowan, M. P. P., is regis-
tered at the Briard.

Premier McBride is on the Mainland on
a business trip.
Ex-Ald. E. Cook, of Vancouver, is visit-
ing the city.

—In the report of the meeting of the
Society for the Prevention of Cruelty
to Animals, on Wednesday last, the
name of C. N. Cameron was inadver-
tently omitted from the list of the
names of the committee.

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QUESTION OF PROFESSIONALS

COMMITTEE NAMED TO GO INTO SUBJECT

Result of Meeting Held in Vancouver on Saturday—Other Sporting News.

"Moved by Messrs. King and Shallock, that this meeting consider it advantageous to appoint a representative executive committee to go thoroughly into all details connected with sport in British Columbia with a view to, if possible, forming a B. C. A. Union. To this end the executive committee shall report their deliberations to the various clubs throughout the province, and at a date to be fixed thereafter (not later than November 1908), shall call a general meeting of delegates from each club, who shall be empowered to act."

Moved by Messrs. Henderson and Ellis that a committee of seven be now formed, as follows: Messrs. F. R. McD., Russell, G. A. Smith, Dr. Davidson, A. E. King, W. Ellis, R. P. Woodward, Rev. J. B. Henderson.

The above resolutions were unanimously carried at the mass meeting of delegates at the Badminton hotel on Saturday afternoon. Those present were: Vancouver Island, Victoria and Nanaimo A. F. U. Mr. Ellis; Mainland A. F. U. B. F. Armstrong; McGill University, Dr. J. C. Davidson; Vancouver Rowing Club, Mr. King; Burrard Cricket Club, H. M. Hepburn; Police Mutual Benefit Association, Mr. McRae; B. C. A. F. U., D. McCallum; Vancouver Rugby Union, Mr. Pattison; V. A. C., Mr. Francis, Mr. Russell, W. P. Ogilvie; New Westminster Lacrosse Club, Rev. J. C. Henderson, Mr. Payne; Columbian College, N. W. H. Watson; Y. M. C. A. (Vancouver, Victoria and Revelstoke), G. A. Smith; Brockton Point A. C. and track team, Mr. Gowen, C. D. Rand, Mr. Shallock.

The meeting was called to order by F. R. McD., Russell, who was elected chairman. C. D. Rand moved that it was desirable to form a B. C. Athletic Union, and Mr. Smith seconded the motion, and spoke strongly in favor of it. After some discussion the motion was withdrawn and Messrs. King and Shallock's was adopted. The different delegates gave their views upon the vexed question of the standing of an amateur as follows, says the News-Advertiser:

The football men do not want any professional football, but their only difficulty is as to whether they desire that a professional in another sport should be allowed to compete as an amateur in football.

With regard to visiting teams—professional teams—which desire games in B. C., they wish to be allowed to play against them.

Cricketers wish professional cricketers to be allowed to compete with amateurs without prejudicing the standing of those amateurs in other sports (as is the case under the laws of the Marylebone Cricket Club).

The lacrosse representatives were non-committal as to their standing in the matter until the annual meeting of the B. C. Lacrosse Association.

All the other representatives stood by the definition of an amateur as adopted by the C. A. A. U. and the A. U. I. e., that a professional in one sport is a professional in all other sports, and that amateurs may not compete against him.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.
INTER-SERVICE GAME.

Philadelphia, Nov. 30.—The navy today defeated the army in their annual football game on Franklin field by the score of 6 to 0, before a brilliant and representative assemblage of nearly thirty thousand persons. Though the score looks close, the West Point team never had a chance to score against Annapolis, the Midshipmen playing all around their opponents at nearly every stage of the contest. The result was a great surprise to the army, for with a heavier, more experienced and better season's record than the navy the army could see nothing but victory.

SHEARWATER A WINNER.

Three goals to two in favor of Shearwater was the result of the Association game on Saturday, when the ship met the Esquimalt men. The game was one of the best contested of the season, and although the ground was in rather bad condition some excellent form was shown. It was rather unfortunate for the Shearwater that their game with the J. B. A. A. should have come off so near the beginning of the series, as after practicing for a week or two they might have been able to beat the leaders. The teams were as follows:

Esquimalt—Goal, Brown; full backs, Lockley and Prevost; half backs, Sheriff, Telford and Dobie; forwards, Martin, Young, Buchan, Stewart and Jasper.

Shearwater—Goal, Wyatt; full backs, Gosteller and Clarkson; half backs, Holmes, Connor and Williams; forwards, R. Collier, A. Collier, Findlay, Fortune and Parleton.

Referee, E. A. Eyles.

EGERIA WINS.
The Fifth Regiment Association football team is still continuing on its

downward course. On Saturday the Egeria won from it by a score of three to nothing. The ground was very slippery, and there was little opportunity for scientific play. It was with difficulty that the losers put up a team at all, the weather being most unpropitious. At half time neither side had scored, but after that Reed, Towers and Williams each put one through. The Egeria players are improving, and each game they play they are in better condition. Next Saturday they meet Esquimalt, and if they can hold down the village men they will then have a look in for the championship, especially as the J. B. A. A. has lost a point.

BAYS HELD DOWN.

The Y. M. C. A. Association football team is the envy of all the other football men of the city, for they did on Saturday what every other team has far failed to do, holding down the veteran J. B. A. A. men and pushing them hard for a win. Although both sides failed to score the Broad street boys had the best of the game, and are proud of their achievement. There were a number out to witness the play, although no one expected the result to be what it was. The Bays were without one or two of their best men, Sedger and Dakers being away, but except for that they were playing their usual team. Gray has played once before, and on that occasion scored one of the goals, so that the team cannot be said to be a very weak one.

It is hoped that the Y. M. C. A. will be able to hold the present team together. They have been changing considerably since the commencement of the series, and this, of course, has had a bad effect. Now that they have a bunch that know how, it would be a good thing to keep them as it. The following men represented either side:

Y. M. C. A.—Goal, Wormald; full backs, Whyte and Struthers; half backs, Hill, Clegg and Thackray; forwards, J. Sherrit, W. Sherrit, Wormald, Ferris and Kerchin.

J. B. A. A.—Goal, Peden; full backs, S. Lorimer and Lawson; half backs, J. Lorimer, Hughes and Shanks; forwards, Winsky, Gray, Hall, Todd and Tait.

Referee, Percy Richardson.

ATHLETICS.

UNITY WANTED.

Col. Henry Williams, secretary to the Governor-General, has been asked by the gentlemen selected by the managers of the Olympic games which take place in London next year, to secure competitors from Canada, held a conference last week at the M. A. A. in Montreal, with Mr. P. D. Ross, of Ottawa, Messrs. V. C. Buchanan, A. D. Thos. O'Connell, secretary-treasurer of the A. A. F. C.; Leslie Boyd, president of the M. A. A. A., E. Herbert Brown, T. L. Paton, T. Y. Foster, directors of the M. A. A. A., and W. F. Foran, of Ottawa.

Col. Hanbury-Williams gave an address in which he explained that it was practically imperative that an arrangement should be reached providing for the organization of one governing athletic body in Canada.

It was essential that if Canada were going to be represented at the Olympic games she should have one association that would be thoroughly representative of athletics throughout Canada.

The present quarrel between the main athletic bodies was making sport and would have to be terminated.

When Colonel Hanbury-Williams concluded these remarks, the situation as far as the A. A. F. C. was concerned was outlined clearly and concisely by Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Foran and others, and both Col. Hanbury-Williams and Mr. Ross thought that the A. A. F. C.'s idea, which is that which obtains in Great Britain, was the most feasible one.

It was agreed that in the near future there should be called a meeting of delegates from the principal athletic bodies at which Col. Hanbury-Williams and Mr. Ross would be present, and at which the matter would be thoroughly threshed out and a new arrangement that would eliminate bickerings reached.

CANADA'S SPRINTER.

Bobby Kerr, the Hamilton sprinter, who has won so many races this year, has established new records, will be one of Canada's representatives at the Olympic games at London, Eng., next year. While Kerr has lived in Hamilton for the past twenty years, he is not a native of that city, being born in Enniskillen, Ireland, on June 3, 1882. He was very young when he crossed the Atlantic, but remembers the trip, and when he crosses next summer will know what he has to contend with on board ship. Kerr is a splendid type of an athlete, being well proportioned, and takes excellent care of himself, not knowing the taste of intoxicating liquor. He never uses tobacco in any form, and has little trouble in getting in shape for a race.

Kerr has had a remarkable year in athletic circles, winning no less than forty races, and always having a good margin on his opponents. His only defeat during the year was at Toronto early in the spring, when Knox, of Orillia, defeated him. Kerr was far from being in condition that day, and critics who say that since Mr. Kerr has been prominent in athletic circles in 1907, when he won the 100, 140 and 300-yard races at the Coronation games in Hamilton. The next year he cleaned up at the Hamilton summer carnival sports, where four watches recorded his time at 9.4 seconds for the 100 yards. In 1904 he competed at the world's fair in St. Louis, being beaten by the smallest kind of a margin. The same year he won the 100 and 220 yards Canadian Y. M. C. A. championship.

In 1906 he finished second to the great English sprinter, Morton, at Montreal, and defeated all the New York cracks, and he again won the T. M. C. A. sprints at Toronto.

CHAMPION SHOT PUTTER.

Ralph Rose, the world's champion shot-putter, has returned to his home in Heidelberg, and for the present will take up the study of law in the office of his father, Attorney J. W. Rose, of Santa Rosa.

"I don't expect to do anything in athletics for the next few months," said the big fellow in discussing plans, "but in March I expect to visit England to take part in the Olympic games."

MONTHLY SMOKERS.

The announcement has been made by the directors of the Vancouver Athletic Club that next April a big international inter-club boxing tournament will be held at which entries will be invited from the leading clubs of the Northwest, such as Seattle, Multnomah, Bellingham, Anacortes, Everett, Spokane and Portland. This tournament will be strictly confined to amateurs, and should bring together the best men in the game. Prior to this tournament will be held at the Vancouver Athletic Club in March, at which the provincial championships will be contested, and this also will be a strictly amateur proposition.

Boxing has taken so well at the Vancouver Athletic Club that it has been decided to hold a series of monthly smokers and sparring tournaments of which the big tournaments mentioned in the foregoing will be the climax. The first smoker will be on Monday, December 30th, and will be followed by five preliminary sparring bouts, one special bout and a main event.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

SPLENDID GAME AT OAK BAY.

The Rugby game on Saturday between Victoria and the J. B. A. A. was peculiar in many ways. The fact that Victoria won by a score of 9 to 3 does not indicate much. The scoring was done in freaks when the Bay team seemed to be in a disorganized condition. During the most of the game the J. B. A. A. had the best of the play and often pressed their opponents very hard, but there were moments of weakness, and the Victorians were able to take advantage of them.

At the blow of the whistle the play started off with a rush, and it was not many minutes before Meredith got in with the ball, thus putting three points to the good of the Victoria men. Rithet tried to convert, but failed to do so. Very soon the ball was gripped on themselves and the ball worked back and forth up and down the field. Suddenly Meredith got away in one of his mad rushes and it looked a sure score for Victoria. He was upset, however, just before he got to the line, and the referee gave him a free kick as a recompense, but it did his side no good. There were several other close shaves for both sides before half time. On one occasion Miller almost got behind. He made a splendid run up the right wing and passed almost everyone. He was stopped, however, just before he got to the line. Several other rushes were made, and the scoring was saved only by the cleverness of one of the players, thus leaving the accounts still in favor of the Victorians at the half-time whistle blew.

In the second half the Bays opened well. O. Nason getting away with a light dash and placing the ball almost behind the posts. This evened things up, and might have put them ahead only that the smaller Nason failed to do the correct thing.

At this time everyone expected the Bays to win. They played very fair combination and often pushed their opponents hard. Toward the end they seemed to feel the extra weight of the men. Gillespie got clear and would have taken the ball behind, but Anderson was there, presented his cleverly embraced the big man round the waist and took him down, thus saving the situation.

It was curious that two of the Victoria goals were made just at the time the Bays were making their prettiest play. The first was made under such circumstances and so was the second. The ball was going across and was being taken in for a try when Sargison passed to the next man. Gillespie saw his chance, and rushing in caught the ball and, being in front of the forward line, got clear through, placing the ball right behind the posts. This was a knockout blow for the Bays, and they did not rally again. They became demoralized, while the victors, seeing their opportunity, took advantage of it. Meredith made another dash and only for Anderson's skillful tackling would have made the two tries within about a minute or two. It remained for Gillespie to make the final score at a time when the Victorians were playing all round the Bays and doing almost what they liked.

The game was a good one. Not, perhaps, quite as clean as the previous one; but during most of the time the play was hard and there was not much advantage to either side. The referee held the men down tight, too tight, and the spectators thought. Whether they were right or not, Moresby was extremely fair and his decisions gave satisfaction to the players on both sides. The teams were as follows:

James Bay A. A. Victoria R. C. Anderson Fullback Collin Sargison Three-quarter Meredith Nason Three-quarter Gillespie Morrison Three-quarter Harvey Thompson Three-quarter Rithet McCarter Halfback W. Newcombe O. Nason Forward Bray Miller Forward Sparks Sedger Forward Bellev Spencer Forward Cartwright McCarter Forward Newcombe Arbuckle Forward Keefe Kennedy Forward Spalding L. Sweeney (Capt.) Forward Meredith Bendit Forward W. Sweeney

BASKETBALL.

THE STAR GAME.

The basketball game on Saturday evening at the full hall between Victoria West and the Fifth Regiment was a fine exhibition, the result being a win for the regiment by a score of 15 to 14. It was well contested throughout, and the result was a triumph right to the end. Had the victors' sublimity been as good as their baskets as their opponents the result would have been different.

At half-time the betting was off at

together, an engagement put a penny on the regiment team. At that time the score stood 8 to 2, and after the restart it got even worse than that, 12 to 4 being the tally. Then the citizen soldiers began to pile them up until they made it 15 to 7. When the whistle blew for time the score was 8 to 16, but neither side was satisfied with a draw, electing rather to continue the game until one of them should score. The regiment was the first to find the basket, Loat being the man that did the trick. The scores were as follows:

Fifth Regiment: Fairall 3, W. Fairall 2, Loat 2, Jones 2.
Victoria West: Brown 2, Beane 2, Corkel 3, Wilson 2.

The teams were: Fifth Regiment—Forwards, W. Fairall, C. Fairall; centre, Loat; guards, Jones, Sellick. Victoria West—Forwards, Corkel, Brown; centre, Beane; guards, Wilson, Jenkins.

FIREMEN'S DEBUT.

The opening game of the basketball series on Saturday night was between the J. B. A. A. and the Firemen's Athletic association, the former winning by 16 to 8. It was a surprisingly good exhibition, and although the firemen did little in the first half, at that time the result being 12 to 1 in favor of the Bays, in the second half they found themselves and brought their score up seven points more while the Bays only added four. The firemen are new at the fun and are neither in condition nor are they sufficiently familiar with the fine points of the play. Since the practice with the Victoria West they have done wonders, and if they improve at the same rate in the next few weeks they will then be winning all the matches. The scores were made by the following men:

Bays—Peden 8, Dakers 4, Strachan 2, Cousins 2.
Firemen—Calwell 4, Stewart 2, Malcolm 2.

The teams were as follows: James Bay A. A.—Forwards, R. Peden, R. Strachan; centre, C. Cousins; guards, G. Dakers, J. Dakers. Firemen's A. C.—Forwards, W. Stewart, W. Calwell; centre, W. Malcolm; guards, J. Coates, V. Stewart.

Referee, F. Smith; timekeeper, J. Donaldson; scorer, W. A. Thrall.

THE OAR.

AT OLYMPIC GAMES.

The Amateur Rowing Association and the British Olympic Council have arranged that the international regatta in connection with the Olympic Games of 1908 shall be held at Henley on Tuesday, July 28th, and the following days. The racing will take place over a half-mile course of one mile and a half, and at the same place as the Henley Royal Regatta races.

The events will be eight, four, pairs, and sculls, and the number of entries from each country will be limited to two for each event.

The Amateur Rowing Association's definition of an amateur will be rigidly adhered to. Entries from the English clubs will close on June 20th, from clubs belonging to Canada, Germany, Holland and Belgium, on June 15th, and from clubs belonging to other countries on June 1st. The Amateur Rowing Association is inviting the clubs made up to the association to give the committee a list of names, power to appoint a committee, not necessarily their own members, to select and control the crews to represent Great Britain at the Olympic Regatta. Circulars on the subject have been issued, and the result will be reported at the annual meeting of the Amateur Rowing Association, to be held early in December.

YACHTING.

SWEDEN'S CHALLENGE.

Stockholm, Nov. 30.—The Royal Swedish Yacht Club has decided to let the challenge for the America cup drop. Olsen and G. Kyhlberger, who had offered to subscribe a large amount of money for the building of a challenger, presented to the club a written statement that the club was unable to raise the money at present, owing to the financial stringency in Sweden. The discussion which followed indicated that the club would reconsider the matter of a challenge as soon as the money became available. Mr. Olsen later made the statement that he had not abandoned the project, but that as the New York Yacht Club had declined their challenge for a seventy-footer, Sweden certainly would challenge notwithstanding the crisis.

THE RIFLE.

CADETS SHOOT WELL.

The High School Cadets will not practice with the rifle any more until Christmas. On Saturday they held their weekly target shooting, the following being some of the best results out of a possible 25:

Lieut. Boggs, 23; Cadet Gray, 21; Cadet Schilling, 24; Cadet Shepard, 26; Lieut. Hartman, 24; Cadet Ney, 23; Cadet Wellwood, 23; Cadet McNaughton, 22; Cadet Moore, 21; Cadet Allan, 21; Cadet Clegg, 20; Cadet Hanna, 20; Cadet Dean, 20; Cadet Dickson, 19.

HOCKEY.

GARRISON WINS.

In one of the fastest and cleanest games of hockey ever played on the Brockton Point ground, in the Terminal City, Vancouver went down to defeat before the Garrison team from Victoria on Saturday.

The grounds were a little slippery, but did not interfere with some really brilliant combinations on the part of both teams. The Victoria boys had the heaviest team and their daily practice for the last three weeks showed up the advantage, but Vancouver will give them a hard run before the season is out, if they stay with it.

GENERAL NOTES.

Principal Barnacle is to be congratulated on the able manner in which he has trained his school Rugby team. They played a good, scientific, clean game on Saturday. If there was a fault it was that the boys were too ready to pass, some of them seeming rather inclined to funk instead of rushing through. It is a good fault, however, for youngsters, much better than to err on the other side.

It was quite a treat to see the way in which the Y. M. C. A. football men walked around yesterday. Every one of them was at least six inches taller than on Saturday morning. They may well be proud of the honor of being the first team to hold the leaders down. Who is to be the next?

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Gillespie, Rithet and Newcombe started for the Victoria Rugby team on Saturday, and Meredith, of course, was a three-star man.

Spencer distinguished himself on Saturday by kicking the ball very neatly when he was lying on the ground. He did other things, too.

Capt. Sweeney showed up better on Saturday than Secretary Sweeney, although both played well.

The Egeria men are beginning to shape themselves; the Bays have lost one point and they have lost two. Verily, the ladies of Victoria have more grit than the men. A large number of them were out practicing hockey in the rain on Saturday.

In the High School Cadets, Lieut. Boggs' score of 33 out of a possible 35 is splendid shooting for a boy.

Indoor baseball promises to be the leading game in Vancouver this winter. Already four teams have entered the league.

The result of the big meeting on Saturday looks almost like a six months' hoist.

South Park school beat North Ward at Association football on Saturday by a score of one to nothing. High school is now leading with Central second, North Ward coming next.

There is considerable speculation as to which girls' hockey team will win the Colonial cup. If the South Park get it they keep it, as they have already won it twice on previous occasions. The final will be played next Saturday morning.

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HOW TETRAZZINA SINGS TOP NOTES

New Diva Who is Enrapturing London Has Wonderful Voice Range.

Opera-goers have been enraptured by the extraordinary ease with which Mme. Tetrazzini, the new prima donna at Covent Garden, London, sings her top notes. Her trill on E flat in alt is the admiration of professional vocalists as well as the public. In fact, people are asking themselves what is the limit of this marvellous voice.

Mme. Tetrazzini lives the simple life, and seems perfectly impervious to the petty ills which usually affect all singers, particularly those who are unaccustomed to this unequal climate. She is not hedged round with a lot of superfluous precautions which some might imagine she would adopt.

Through the aid of an interpreter it was ascertained that in "Rigoletto" she has to sing E in alt half a tone higher than in "Traviata"—and this is the real limit of her voice—that is, as she explained, to keep it in character with the rest of her voice and to be able to hold the note and swell it into a full crescendo or reduce it to a delightful pianissimo at will.

In "La Sonnambula," another opera in which Mme. Tetrazzini will doubtless be heard before the season is over at Covent Garden, she sings F, or half a note higher still—but this is only "staccato," or sung in passing.

Among the great prime donne of the world there is not a great difference in the height of their voices. No operatic soprano is thoroughly equipped without a reliable E flat or E in alt. This was Adeline Patti's limit in her prime, while her sister Carlotta could touch the F. Melba is credited with an F sharp, while Christine Nilsson was able to touch G, and Jenny Lind even an A.

These ranges are, of course, phenomenal, and are rarely found among concert singers. "Operatic sopranos," said a vocal expert, "are not trained for phenomenal heights. The greatest of them would probably be able to reach astounding altitudes. Their object is rather to preserve the weight, beauty, and character of the voice within the limits in which music is written—and that is sufficiently trying."

TRANSPORTING THE GEM.

How Two Detectives Were Made to Play a Curious Part.

The task of getting the Cullinan diamond from the Transvaal to England was an exciting one.

The portion of the journey in which the greatest possibility of molestation lurked, was from Johannesburg to Cape Town, where the diamond was placed in the strong room of the Union Castle. Almost a thousand miles of railway had to be negotiated, and in the course of this portion of the trip about many isolated spots where the operation of gangs of desperate men. These places are of the dead of night as well as in broad daylight.

Several schemes were evolved to ensure the safety of the precious stone. Finally, all were rejected for the extremely venturesome game of "bluff."

A couple of hours before the departure of the home mail from Park Street, the principal station in Johannesburg, an order was issued to two members of the C. S. A. railway detective staff to travel to Cape Town by the mail on an "important mission."

There was nothing unusual in the order, for both men were a Lancashire man and the other of Irish nationality, were reliable and well-seasoned to the peculiar duties of a detective in the "land of distances," but a subsequent instruction that they should go armed made them curious and not a little inquisitive as to the nature of the mission.

Their curiosity was not appeased, however, until they were encoined in a first class compartment and ready for departure. Then, with an effusive air of seriousness and mystery and admonitions of caution, a parcel, neatly wrapped in brown paper and carefully sealed, was placed in their charge.

This, they were informed, was the Cullinan diamond, and they were to deposit it in the strong room of the boat, where the outer wrapping would be stripped off, with one or more of the seals intact. The return of this to the C. S. A. in Johannesburg was to be the fulfilment of the postal authorities on board ship having taken over the parcel.

Naturally, the forty odd hours' travel was a most anxious time for the detectives. Never during the journey was the parcel out of the sight of one or the other of them. "I have never experienced a more anxious time, and I do not wish for another like it," was the remark of one.

The original instructions were carried out to the letter and congratulations were mutual. All concerned were heartily glad that the diamond had left South Africa.

Some months later the postmaster-general for the Transvaal, in his report on the post office, read at the legislative council at Pretoria, astonished the council, and, indeed, the whole of South Africa, with the announcement that the diamond had been safely conveyed to England as an ordinary registered package.

The postmaster-general did not publicly divulge the contents of the parcel, which was so zealously guarded by the detectives. It was not the diamond and the public had been genuinely "bluffed."

It is unwise to mention the Cullinan diamond now to the detectives who spent two sleepless nights watching over the brown paper parcel.

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PROTECTING ROADS IN SOUTH SAANICH

Council Takes Steps to Regulate Width of Tires—Other Business Transacted.

The council of South Saanich at its meeting on Saturday evening fixed the bounds of the different wards. The assessments of the various wards are very nearly equal, being as follows:

No. 1, Cedar Hill, \$655,390; No. 2, Maywood, \$650,650; No. 3, Gordon Head, \$647,351; No. 4, Colquhoun, \$648,705; No. 5, Lake, \$649,685; No. 6, South Saanich, \$646,440.

As a result of complaints made by residents that roads were being cut up by narrow-tired vehicles, the council amended the by-law governing the subject, fixing the regulations as to width of tires and amount carried by vehicles as follows: On tires two inches and under three inches in width, 1,500 pounds; on tires three inches and under four inches, 2,000 pounds; on tires four inches and under five inches, 3,000 pounds; and on tires five inches and over the limit of the load to be carried is fixed at 10,000 pounds.

W. J. Dowler, city clerk of Victoria, in reply to a request of residents of Tolmie avenue for the extension of the water system to that street, wrote stating that if the residents paid the entire cost of the work it would be done. The matter was referred to Councilor Poirer, who will interview the residents of Tolmie avenue and report to the next meeting. The cost of the extension is estimated to be about \$3,000.

The road superintendent was authorized to deal with a complaint as to the way the road was being cut up by wagons hauling cordwood in the vicinity of the Bonnie Brae farm.

Road Superintendent Pim reported that repairs to the extent of \$20 were needed at Swan Lake bridge, and a concrete culvert and filling to take the place of the Sand Hill bridge would cost \$700.

The road superintendent also reported that owners along Borden street had encroached upon the road with their fences. The owners, it was decided, should be notified to move their fences within six weeks.

Constable Russell's report for the month of October showed that the following collections had been made: Road tax, \$70; fines and licenses, \$19.70.

Councillors Puckle and Grant were appointed to meet the property owners interested in the extension of the Cadboro Bay road through the Appleton property. This action was taken on the request of D. R. Ker.

It was decided to expend \$50 in putting the road from Prospect Lake in proper shape.

Barnard & Robertson wrote asking, on behalf of the owners of Westwood farm, that the municipality undertake the deepening of the ditch from the Colquhoun river. The cost of the work, it was suggested, would likely be borne by the property owners benefited.

The letter was referred to the incoming council.

Accounts to the amount of \$43.70 were ordered to be paid.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 2—8 a. m.—A vast area of abnormally high pressure, centred over the Middle West states, covers the entire western portion of the continent from the Pacific to the Great Lakes and the Mississippi valley. Light rain has fallen at Barkerville, but the weather is fair in almost every district, with lower temperatures, except on the immediate Coast.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 3 p. m. Tuesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Light or moderate northerly and easterly winds, generally fair, with stationary or lower temperatures.

Lower Mainland—Winds chiefly westerly, generally fair, with stationary or lower temperatures.

Reprints.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, 47; minimum, 46; wind, 8 miles N.; weather, part cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 43; minimum, 38; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, 40; minimum, 35; wind, 4 miles S.E.; weather, fair.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, 38; minimum, 28; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE BILL

NOTICE is hereby given on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Victoria that application will be made in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session for a Bill to re-enact, ratify and confirm the "Corporation of Victoria Waterworks Act, 1873," and the "Victoria Waterworks Amendment Act," Chapter 64 of the Statutes of 1892, and to make the following amendments and additions to such Act, and to consolidate the same with the following amendments:

To amend Section 2 of the Act of 1873, which enables the Corporation to borrow money, by substituting therefor the words "the Corporation of Victoria Waterworks," and to give to the Corporation power to borrow money, and to determine the use for any and every purpose which any waters of the Corporation are put to.

In Section 6 of the Act of 1873, as amended by Section 10 of the Act of 1892, to empower entry on and expropriation of Crown lands and expropriation of surplus waters running to waste of any waterworks company, and of land in the water shed of any waterworks company, whether or not the water is used for power.

To amend Section 7 of the said Act of 1873 to authorize the conducting of water over and across the lands of the Crown and of the lands of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company at Goldstream or in Esquimalt, and to construct necessary works for conducting such water across, over, or under any conduit or pipe or other work of such Company.

To amend Section 10 by making the date for the annual return therein directed with statement of affairs of the waterworks to be made on the 31st January of the year following, in lieu of on the 31st December for the year terminating on that date.

To amend Section 13 as amended by Section 4 of Chapter 64 of 1892, by repealing the same, and substituting therefor a section giving power and authority to the Water Commissioner to fix the amount of waterworks tax, and so that the same may be assessed and levied on the basis of frontage along the water mains and branches thereof, or in case of special benefit and advantage having regard to locality, to fix a special tax or additional tax, or to fix the tax according to the relative assessed value taken from the Assessment Roll, with power to place a special or additional tax on vacant lands fronting or abutting on the water mains, or partly by each of these methods, or two or more or all, and so that such tax shall be a charge on the land, and the owner of the land shall be liable to pay the same, and the power to fix a water rental for water supplied, whether with or without water meter, or by estimation or otherwise, with power to the City to pass By-Laws levying the tax and approving and enforcing the same, rates, rentals and charges for the supply of water.

To amend Section 14, as amended by Section 5 of the said Chapter 64 of 1892, by separating, on the passing of a By-Law to that effect by the Council, the waterworks money from general revenue, and to require payment thereof into a separate Bank account, paying only to the City Treasurer such amounts as the Council may, by resolution, direct.

To amend Section 27 of said Act of 1873 by giving power to the Council to authorize contracts for the sale of water mains and plant used in the supply of water outside the City or in adjoining municipalities to the Corporation of such municipalities, with power to contract with outside municipalities, corporations or persons for the sale of any quantity of water or power produced by water within such outside municipality or outside the City, upon such terms as to supply and use and payment therefor as may be arranged, and with express power and authority to any outside municipality with which the Corporation may have

contract for supply, to levy within such municipality a frontage tax or other tax, assessment or rate for the payment of such water supply or power for the benefit of the Corporation, and with power to such Corporations to levy and collect such rates, assessments or taxes with the like remedies as the Corporation have within the City limits.

To repeal Sections 28, 29 and 31 of said Act of 1873 and to substitute therefor power to the Corporation to borrow money upon the security of the waterworks taxes, rates, rentals and charges and the general revenue of the waterworks system, or of waters belonging to the Corporation, with or without the guarantee of the City, and that the debentures to raise monies shall be issued under the formalities required for debentures issued under the authority of the Municipal Clauses Act and following Section 31 of the Municipal Clauses Act.

To repeal Section 32 of the said Act of 1873, and to substitute therefor power to the Corporation to purchase, in extinguishment, at a sum not exceeding the par or nominal value of same, outstanding waterworks debentures, and to give to the Corporation power to purchase, in extinguishment, at a sum not exceeding the par or nominal value of same, outstanding waterworks debentures, and to give to the Corporation power to purchase, in extinguishment, at a sum not exceeding the par or nominal value of same, outstanding waterworks debentures, and to give to the Corporation power to purchase, in extinguishment, at a sum not exceeding the par or nominal value of same, outstanding waterworks debentures.

To add to Section 36 a proviso entitling the Corporation to produce any proceedings arising out of or in connection with the carrying out of the said Act; To repeal Sections 40, 42 and 43 of said Act of 1873, and to enact that waterworks taxes, rates, rentals and assessments shall be debts due to the Corporation and collected as municipal taxes;

To give to the Corporation power to use or sell waters for producing any form of power, or for producing and generating and disposing of by sale or otherwise, light, heat and power, either within or without the City; that all powers, rights and privileges by any Act granted to the Corporation shall be applicable to the acquisition, use, disposal, supply and sale of waters for power purposes, and giving to the Corporation the following special powers:

Power to construct works; To transmit power; To convey power by wires and place poles for carrying wires on lands or highways outside the City, including Crown lands;

To construct all necessary buildings and works and maintain and operate the same, extending the powers of expropriation to waters for power purposes;

That any arbitration to ascertain compensation under Waterworks Acts may, at the election of the Council, be proceeded with under Section 31 of the Municipal Clauses Act;

And such incidental and necessary powers as are provided in the foregoing or may be conveniently used therewith.

MASON & MANN,

Solicitors to the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

November 26th, 1907.

NOTICE is hereby given that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria, at their next sitting at 11 o'clock on the 11th of December, for a license for the sale of wine and liquor by retail upon the premises situated at the corner of Hastings and Pandora streets, in the City of Victoria, B. C., and known as the "Elk Saloon," to Lawrence McCrene and Bert Stedman.

Dated this 10th day of November 1907.

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NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to construct and lay permanent sidewalks to corners, with stone or iron curb, on the following streets, namely:

1. Douglas street, west side, between View street and Humboldt street;
2. Langley street, east side, from Bastion street to Courtney street;
3. Broughton street, north side, from Government street to Wharf street;
4. Gordon street, both sides, from Humboldt street to Broughton street; Courtney street, south side, from the Metropolitan building to Douglas street;
5. Courtney street, north side, from Wharf street to Douglas street;
6. Humboldt street, both sides, from Government street to Douglas street.

And that each and every of said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement By-Law," and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said By-law, upon the said works showing the amounts estimated to be chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property to be benefited thereby, and their reports having been adopted by the Council: **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the reports herein referred to are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, B. C., 23rd Nov., 1907.

NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to replace the wooden block paving on Government street, between Courtney street and Johnson street, with wooden blocks, treated with creosote, and that the said work shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement By-Law," and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said By-law, upon the said work showing the amounts chargeable, in each case, against the various portions of real property to be benefited thereby, and their report having been adopted by the Council: **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the report herein referred to is open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

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Victoria, B. C., Nov. 29th, 1907.

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MONTEAGLE BRINGS HINDUS.

After a stormy voyage the C. P. R. steamship Montegale, Capt. Robinson, arrived in port yesterday morning from the Orient, bringing 72 Hindus, 2 Chinese and 1 Japanese for Victoria. Altogether the Montegale brought 189 Hindus, 83 Chinese, and 45 Japanese, besides 25 Europeans in her steerage and 60 first-class passengers. Her cargo consisted of 5,000 tons of general freight, of which 150 tons were discharged here. The saloon passengers were: Mrs. Berliner, Mrs. Berry, Mr. Blahof, Mr. Blodhorn, F. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain, Chang Sing Hang, Mrs. L. P. Cleveland, P. D. Colbert, Dr. Cole, S. E. Corteyan, Capt. Edler, Capt. Elmsley, Mrs. G. S. Evans, F. W. and J. Evans, Horace Finlay, Mrs. B. Fifth and child, Mr. and Mrs. Gottman, Mr. Hansen, Mrs. G. E. Hartwell and 5 children, Miss M. Jewell, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Judd and child, Rev. O. H. Knight, Pierre Lacombe, M. Landis, Miss Langton, D. Larrieu, E. MacVicar, Mr. Munemura, Mr. Nagatani, Mr. Okakura, H. and P. Peat, Miss Peacock, Miss Pike, H. P. Pratt, Mr. Ross, Mrs. Runcie and child, Mr. Salk, Mrs. Sam Kin, W. J. Schenk, Mrs. Suckerman, Mrs. Tilson and 2 children, Chas. Vasseur and P. S. Virgil.

The Montegale brought news of further fighting between the Japanese soldiery and the aborigines, or "Head-hunters," of Formosa, that dependency of Nippon which has been giving her so much trouble of late. The recent pitched fights between the aborigines and the Japanese military have been sanguinary combats, in which both sides have suffered great loss. Three weeks ago a determined attack by the head-hunters resulted in the Japanese being driven back and several attacks by the soldiers have been repulsed with considerable loss. Latest advices, however, state that the Formosans are gradually giving way before the organized forces. Japanese newspapers tell of the recent launching of the second-class Japanese cruiser Tone at the Sasebo naval dockyard in the presence of the Crown Prince, Vice-Admiral Baron Saito, minister of the navy, and a large concourse of spectators. The vessel's dimensions, etc., are as follows: Tonnage, 4,100; length, 360 feet; breadth, 47 feet; horsepower, 10,000. Her boilers are of the Miyabara type. The Tone's keel was laid on November 27th, 1905.

MAURETANIA SAILS AGAIN.

New York, Nov. 30.—Favorable conditions for a faster trip from New York to Queenstown attended the departure yesterday of the big turbine steamer Mauretania, of the Cunard line. Heavily loaded with both passengers and freight, the Mauretania passed the Sandy Hook lightship on her first eastward voyage at 2:21 p. m. The Lusitania's record by which the Mauretania will be compared is four days, 22 hours, and 4 minutes from Sandy Hook to Daunt's Rock off Queenstown.

RULING ON DEPORTATION.

A Seattle exchange states: In a decision that has been furnished the secretary of commerce and labor, for the guidance of officers in the immigration service, Attorney-General Bonaparte has ruled that the matter of expense for the deportation of rejected aliens must be borne wholly by the transportation companies responsible for the appearance of the persons in the United States. A copy of the decision was received on Saturday at the office of Collector of Customs Harper, Port Townsend.

In fixing the responsibility of the transportation companies for expense required to remove aliens from the country, the attorney-general finds the law empowers the immigration officials to furnish escorts to the deported cases. Expense incurred by the escorts or attendants is found to be as essential to proper care of any case as the transportation of the alien.

It is further held that when government agents are required to properly accompany deported aliens across or from the country, the class of passage to which the agent is entitled is within the discretion of the immigration officer in charge of the matter.

The question is one that has occasioned great confusion between the immigration department and transportation companies. In several cases the companies have refused to refund all or part of expense accounts incurred with deportations. It has also been

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held by transportation officials that escorts should be furnished transportation accommodations equal to those allowed the alien deported. Where such questions have required that the immigration official travel in the steerage or second-class unpleasantness has arisen. Immigration officials believe that with the new ruling companies heretofore derelict in refunding expense money will be required to satisfy claims against them. Success in this attempt will bring a substantial fund into the government's immigration fund. From this source money has been drawn to pay expenses required, but these expenses have been protested.

BRAVE "BILLY THE KID."

A fascinating tale of mystery is woven about the personality of "Billy the Kid," captain of the launch Corsair, whose deeds of reckless bravery at Katala in the past few months have been the admiration and wonder of all Alaskan adventurers. With no other name, than the typical one furnished by his admiring friends, this headless youth, whose past life and habits are veiled in complete silence, goes his hazardous way, daily taking his life in his hands and exposing himself to all manner of risks in the untried trade pursued by him in the forlorn hope of the Guggenheims, Katala Harbor.

The following spontaneous tribute is paid this daring navigator by Frank Wilhelm, formerly with the Klondike Nugget and Nugget express, at Dawson, Y. T., who is lately from Katala, where he was with the Copper River & Northwestern Railroad Company, and where he participated in one of the many thrilling adventures incident to the "Kid's" life: "I wish to express my admiration for that mysterious individual—'Billy the Kid.' The Corsair is a forty-foot schooner, with ten-foot beam and equipped with a very powerful gas engine. Whenever the waves are too high for the smaller launches to venture out to the ocean ships 'Billy the Kid' is asked to make the trip with passengers and mail. Should anything happen to the engine or the captain lose confidence in himself, it is certain death on the rocks of Controller bay or in the undertow of the harbor, which is very strong. It is impossible to form an opinion of the nerve of the 'Kid' without taking a trip with him in a stormy sea. Among all the brave men who are or have been in Alaska and the Yukon territory, there are very few who would care to assume the duties of the 'Kid,' who literally dices with death every time he takes his frail craft over the bar with mail or passengers for the steamships. He will certainly win a Carnegie medal for bravery if he is not killed meanwhile."

QUADRA SAVES SCHOONER.

But for the timely assistance rendered by the Dominion government schooner Quadra, Capt. Hackett, the schooner Lulu, of Vancouver, would have been lost during a terrific gale near Port Alexander, Niget Island, at the entrance to Queen Charlotte Sound, on the night of Tuesday last. The Lulu was lying off Port Alexander anchored astern of the Quadra with two anchors out, but the force of the gale tore her from her anchorage and carried her around. The Quadra at once went to her assistance, but was unable to tow her off the rocks owing to the tide being low.

The sea ran high during Wednesday, and further attempts to save the schooner were unsuccessful, but on Thursday morning the government steamship vessel and towed her into safety. The Lulu was found to be badly damaged, her stem being split and her rudder post broken, while the center-board was also damaged.

The Quadra returned to port on Saturday evening after a trip to Comox, to which port she towed a buoy to replace the one which was damaged on the Kelp reef, and to Egg Island. Owing to the heavy sea, it was found impossible to land five barrels of oil, of which, however, the lighthouse was not in immediate need.

The Quadra will leave in a couple of days for Carmanah and Gape Beale, taking a further supply of concrete and materials for the fog alarm station which is being established at the latter place.

TAKES MAY'S SHAFT.

The steamship Queen City arrived in port this morning from Hardy Bay and way ports after an uneventful trip.

The Queen City to-day took to Esquimalt the new intermediate shaft for the Princess May, which is being repaired at the B. C. Marine Railway company's ways. The shaft was brought over from Seattle by the Princess Royal yesterday and transferred to the Queen City. The Queen City sails again on Wednesday night.

ALLIANCE IS DERELICT.

Tossing helplessly in a heavy sea, with her machinery disabled, a hole torn in her keel, from which three plates are missing, and with her propeller broken, the steamer Alliance was sighted by the Weir steamship Boveric about twenty-five miles north of Cape Gregory off the Oregon coast. The Boveric passed up yesterday for Comox, where she will coal and then load lumber at Cheminus. The Alliance, according to the report of the Boveric's officers, was sighted flying signals of distress and the Weir steamship bore down on her. The captain of the Alliance reported that his vessel had struck heavily coming over the

bar at Coos Bay, that one passenger had been lost overboard and that his vessel was helpless. As the Boveric was unable to render assistance, she proceeded on her way and reported the casualty here. It is expected that a tug will be sent from Portland to pick up the derelict.

The Alliance is owned by the California & Oregon Coast Steamship company, was built at Eureka, and is 650 tons gross.

WILL ABANDON WHALING.

The San Francisco Chronicle says: As soon as she has discharged her cargo, the whaling barque John and Winthrop, which went through such fierce weather coming down from Okotak sea on her last voyage, will be laid up. It is unlikely, according to the opinion expressed by experienced whaling men here, that any more sailing craft will ever leave this port on whaling expeditions. Most of the whalers are now steam vessels, and with the exception of this season have been able to make the business pay owing mainly to the cheapness of California oil driving whale oil out of the market. Had it not been for the last good season it is thought likely that not a single vessel would make the northern trip from this coast next season. In any case the number of vessels going out next season from this port is likely to be much reduced.

NEW FRASER STEAMER.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser says: Although there are two steamers regularly operating between Chilliwack and New Westminster, a syndicate of marine men is searching for another freight and passenger vessel, as they believe there is plenty of business offering for a suitable craft. They believe the commencement of operation by the B. C. Electric Railway Company upon the Chilliwack-New Westminster line will make the venture a paying one. A weekly trip between Vancouver and Chilliwack may also be instituted. The steamers at present running between Chilliwack and New Westminster are the Beaver, of the C.P.R., and the Ramona, owned by the Royal City syndicate.

ALLAN WINTER SERVICE.

The Allan line inaugurated their Liverpool winter service with the sailing of the Tunisian from St. John on Saturday. She will be followed by the turbine steamer Victorian from St. John, December 6th, and Halifax December 13th.

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PRESIDENT'S PASSENGERS.

The steamship President, which, as reported in Saturday's Times, reached port on Saturday afternoon from San Francisco, brought 50 tons of freight for this port. She had 20 second-class passengers: A. J. Butland, A. C. De Merice, F. R. Bunse and wife, S. Robinson, J. J. Hawks, J. Humwade, S. Hamilton and family and J. S. Hutchinson.

REPAIRS COMMENCED.

Work was commenced this morning by the B. C. Marine Railway Company upon the damaged Royden steamship Indravelli, now lying in the Esquimalt drydock. It is expected that fully two months will be occupied in effecting the necessary repairs.

FIRE ON OIL VESSEL.

While en route from Honolulu to San Francisco, on November 25th, fire broke out in the hull of the oil steamer Santa Maria, owned by the Union Oil Company, and the inspectors of hulls and boilers will hold an investigation to-morrow at San Francisco.

MARINE NOTES.

The Chargeurs-Reunis steamship Admiral Exelmann passed up to-day from San Francisco to bunker at Nanaimo.

The British ship Clan Graham, which was here during the summer, having lumber ports cut at the Victoria Machinery Depot's wharf, and

which left Puget Sound on August 7th with general cargo for Havre, put into Montevideo on Saturday last with cargo shifted through storm.

The Holt liner Cyclops, following the Oania, for Victoria and Puget Sound, was at Hongkong previous to the 25th. She is scheduled to leave Yokohama on the 12th inst and is due here on the 25th, Christmas day.

Carrying a fairly large number of passengers the Union steamship Camosun left port on Saturday night for northern British Columbia ports, including Kitimaat.

The big tug William Jolliffe returned to Esquimalt yesterday from Bella Bella, where she took stores for the marine and fisheries department.

The Watts steamship Woodford, from Portland for Australia, passed out on Saturday, after loading bunker coal at Nanaimo.

The steamship Princess Beatrice sailed for Queen Charlotte Islands and Northern British Columbia ports last night.

The Pacific Coast Steamship company's steamer Governor sailed last night for San Francisco, carrying 500 passengers.

The British steamship Borderer, Portland for South Africa with wheat, passed yesterday to bunker at Comox.

The steamship Queen Louise passed up to-day from Portland to load coal at Nanaimo.

The steamer Belfast, of Vancouver, is unloading cement at the outer wharf.

The Trader is unloading cement from Todd's Inlet at New Westminster.

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DR. LEWIS HALL, Dental Surgeon, Jewell Block, cor. Yates and Douglas streets, Victoria, B. C. Telephone Office, 527; Residence, 122.

DYEING AND CLEANING.

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NUMBERS—12, 25, 26, 30, 40, 42, 44, 45, 54, 55, 61, 64, 66, 78, 83, 329, 683.

WANTED—MALE HELP.

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WANTED—Dressmakers, skirt and waist makers and apprentices. Henry Young & Co.

WANTED—Lady companion for an old lady. Apply Capt. Wm. Moore, 210 Kingston street.

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WANTED—Ladies to do plain and light sewing at home, whole or spare time; good pay; work sent any distance; charges paid; send stamp for full particulars. National Manufacturing Company, Montreal.

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WANTED—Copying for a few hours each evening, manuscripts, letters, etc., neatly typewritten at reasonable rates. Apply Mrs. Times Office.

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DR. H. BURGESS, Dental Surgeon, Mahon Bldg., Government street. Phone 1619.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL—Having purchased the Blacksmith and carriage shop of W. A. Robertson & Son, 56 Discovery street, between Douglas and Government streets, I am now prepared to do all kinds of carriage, blacksmith, painting and horse shoeing, etc. I make a specialty of repairing and rebuilding carriages, etc. Attention is called to the fact that all customers and new ones are cordially invited to give me a call. J. J. Fisher, 56 Discovery street.

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TO LET—Two well furnished rooms. 119 Yates street.

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REVELATIONS OF U. S. TRUST COY'S.

Receivers Report on Conditions and Causes Which Precipitated Financial Debate.

New York, Nov. 30.—Attorney-General Jackson made public to-day a report of the temporary receivers of the Williamsburg Trust Company, of Brooklyn, and the International Trust Company, of New York, both of which recently suspended. The Attorney-General stated that an abstract of the temporary receiver's report on the Williamsburg Trust Company had been given to special Deputy Attorney-General Stieglitz, and that he would direct him to take the matter before the December grand jury of King's county.

The president of the Williamsburg Trust Company was Frank Jenkins, who with his brothers, John G. Jenkins, Jr., and Fred Jenkins, held the controlling interest in the Jenkins Trust Company, now suspended. The International Trust Company was closely allied with the Borough Bank of Brooklyn, the late Howard Maxwell, who committed suicide, having been president of both institutions. Wm. Gow, a director in the Borough Bank and the International Trust Company, is charged by the temporary receivers with dominating the International Trust Company, and so controlling its financial operations as to make large sums of money.

Frank L. Baptiste, temporary receiver of the Williamsburg Trust Company made demand loans to the amount approximately of \$22,000 to five clerks in the employ of Fred and J. G. Jenkins, Jr., the stock "brokers" firm. These clerks figured in loans from the Borough Bank of Brooklyn.

The receiver also states that the Williamsburg Company made a demand loan to C. H. Ruler for \$115,000, which is not guaranteed, and for which there is held collateral of the estimated value of \$75,148. A loan of \$45,000 was also made by the Williamsburg Company to James Hart, a son-in-law of John G. Jenkins, Sr., for which collateral is held of the estimated value of \$12,400.

Concerning these and other loans aggregating \$476,000, the receiver states that collateral only to the estimated value of \$275,000 is held, and upon these loans there is an estimated loss of \$200,000 placed by the bank examiners.

Mr. Baptiste in his report shows that within the four days immediately preceding the closing of the doors of the Williamsburg Company, several of the company's directors withdrew practically all their deposits.

Goodwin Brown, temporary receiver of the International Trust, states in his

report that the amount of the demand loans is \$43,750, and of this sum \$32,250 is doubtful. The receiver charges that William Gow, a director, paid \$307,000 for a lease, which he sold to the trust company for \$475,545. The receiver states that Gow withdrew from the company \$335,582 in cash on October 21st, 1907, a few days before the institution suspended.

STEADY SHIPMENTS FROM B. C. MINES

Reduced Wages to Miners Will Mean Production and Reduction of Ore Continuously

Roseland, Nov. 30.—Since the miners here and the smeltersmen at Trail have agreed to a reduction of wages to the scale which prevailed in the early part of the year, though the reduced scale does not go into effect here till tomorrow, every one feels relieved, being assured that the production and reduction of ore will go on without interruption continuously for a long period. It has lifted the apprehension felt by a large number of the closing down of the mines and smelters for a considerable period. Shipments for the week were up to the average, and were: Centre Star, 3,635; Le Roi, 2,240; Le Roi (two), 535. Total for week, 6,400 tons; and for the year to date, 254,514 tons.

In Southeastern B. C.

Nelson, Nov. 30.—The following are the shipments and ore receipts of the mines in Southwestern British Columbia for the past week and the year to date in tons:

Shipments: Boundary, for week, 18; year, 141,000. Roseland, week, 7,048; year, 254,560. East of Columbia river, week, 3,705; year, 160,418. Total for week, 10,753; year, 1,557,798.

Receipts: Trail, for week, 5,572; for year, 242,622. Northport, 2,852 and 91,386; Marysville, 600 and 28,800. Other smelters for week, none; for year, 110,007. Total, week, 8,425; year, 1,422,587.

KILLED BY RUNAWAY.

Maple Creek, Dec. 2.—Baynton Bros. were on their way home north of this town with a load of coal, when the team ran away. Both men were thrown off and the hind wheel passed over Jas. Baynton, killing him. He had only taken a homestead last fall and had been to the east and had just returned. He was 35 years old and born in Ontario. The two brothers reside here.

The most primitive toy is the doll. It dates back to prehistoric times, and is found in every part of the world.

PROCLAIM HOLY WAR IN MOROCCO

STIRRING FRONTIER TRIBES TO REVOLT

Tribesmen Hurt Themselves on the French Force--Beaten Back Leaving 200 Dead

Lalla, Maghnia, Algeria, Nov. 30.—Marabout Bouthia has proclaimed a holy war and his emissaries are busy stirring up the frontier tribes, telling them that the French are helpless, as all the soldiers have gone to Casablanca.

In a fresh attack on the French near Adjeroud last night, 4,000 tribesmen hurled themselves with reckless bravery against a French force of 400, but the well-posted guns of the French resulted in the mowing down of the ranks of the tribesmen, who finally retired, leaving the ground strewn with corpses. The French loss was two killed and six wounded.

The dead tribesmen numbered 200 and the wounded 500.

Another engagement has been reported near the frontier, the tribesmen being beaten off after sharp fighting. No details of the engagement have been received.

ATTRACTIVE VALLEY.

Kisplox District Is Attracting Timber Men and Agriculturists.

Mr. Harvey, of the firm of Calling & Harvey, civil engineers, has just returned from an extended engagement in Northern British Columbia. For the most part he was occupied in the Kisplox valley, immediately north of Hazelton. In this valley, he says, about 100,000 acres of land have been taken up by organized capital, mostly represented in Winnipeg, and a very large acreage of timber has also been acquired by the same parties. At present there are about a dozen settlers in the valley, and as there is quite an abundance of good land, Mr. Harvey thinks settlement will follow quickly upon railway construction.

This valley does not lie in the route of the Grand Trunk Pacific, but the probabilities of a branch line traversing it are already being mooted.

Deposits of excellent coal have been located near the mouth of the valley, about seven miles from Hazelton, and a company has already been organized to develop it as soon as markets are created by the advance of railway construction.

DEVELOPING COAL.

A New Corporation Formed to Mine on Vancouver Island.

Vancouver Island coal continues to attract investors and new companies are constantly being organized to develop fields in the coal belt.

There has been organized in Vancouver the Vancouver & Nanaimo Coal Mining Company, Limited. The object of the company is to mine and place upon the market in the Terminal City exclusively the product of a large coal mine situated within one mile of Nanaimo. The mine has been developed, and early this week the first shipment of fuel will be received.

According to engineering authority, there is one seam in which men are working that will furnish at least a million and a half tons, and the owners claim that another seam will be brought to development of equal magnitude. Two assays of the coal, the company declares, show it to be equal to the famous old Wellington material. Several hundred tons are now upon the dump, and teams were sent from Nanaimo on Saturday to bring part to the wharf for shipment to Vancouver. For the present about seventy tons per

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SEDITIONIST'S FUNERAL.

Calcutta Crowd Treasures Up His Ashes.

Pandit Upadhy, editor of the Sandhya, against whom two charges of sedition were pending, has died in a hospital in Calcutta after an operation.

The extremist Press declares that the

accused's disease was aggravated by continually standing in the dock for days. He would not ask for a seat, as he was determined not to request any favor from an alien magistrate.

Handbills notifying his death were distributed broadcast, with the result that the funeral was made the occasion of an extraordinary demonstration. A vast multitude of Bengalis followed the body and lined the street. At the burning ghat national songs were sung, while the burning of the body was accompanied by loud shouts of "Fande mataram." The ashes were eagerly collected by the bystanders. A Bengali, Mrs. Dase, delivered an oration. She said Pandit Upadhy had taught a lesson in patriotism, and had shown them how to die when their usefulness was threatened by a bureaucracy. Other speakers followed. It is asserted that never before has a burning ghat been the scene of such a demonstration.

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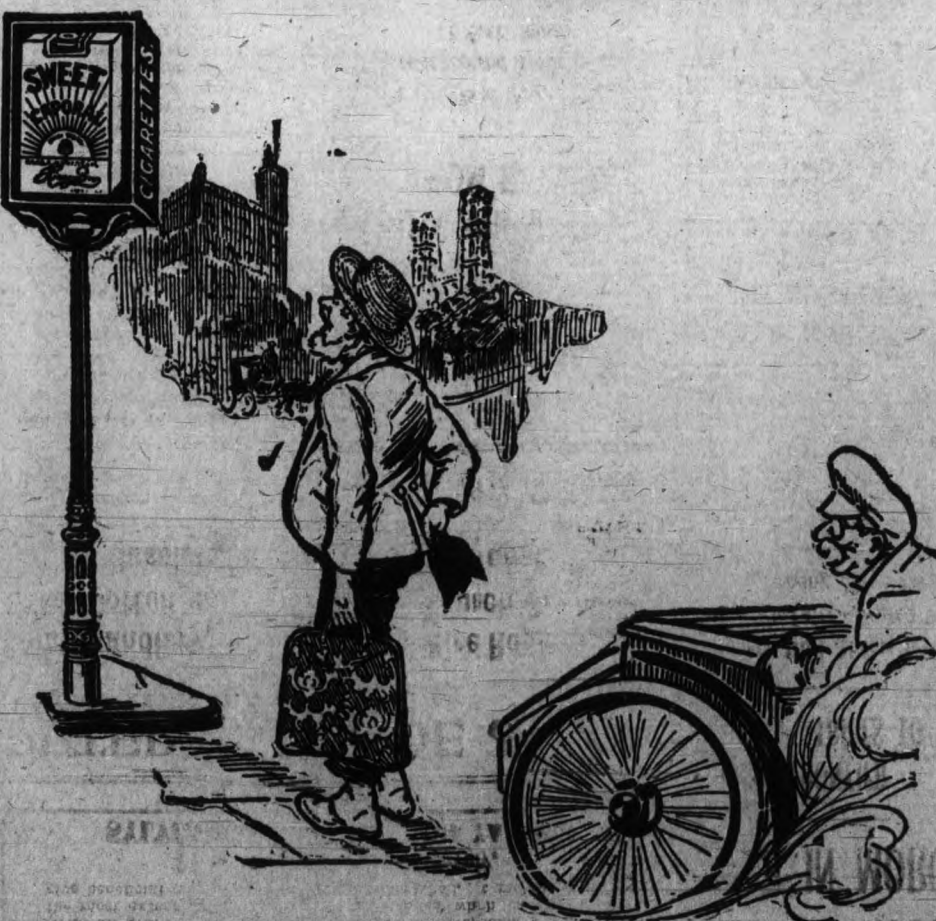
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